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### GAS CAPTURE PLAN

Date: May 18, 2016

Original

Operator & OGRID No.: Yates Petroleum Corporation 025575

Amended - Reason for Amendment: \_\_\_\_\_

This Gas Capture Plan outlines actions to be taken by the Operator to reduce well/production facility flaring/venting for new completion (new drill, recomplete to new zone, re-frac) activity.

Note: Form C-129 must be submitted and approved prior to exceeding 60 days allowed by Rule (Subsection A of 19.15.18.12 NMAC).

#### Well(s)/Production Facility – Name of facility **Berry APN St. Battery**

The well(s) that will be located at the production facility are shown in the table below.

Well Name	API	Well Location (ULSTR)	Footages	Expected MCF/D	Flared or Vented	Comments
Berry APN St. #5H	3002541672	K-5-T21S- R34E	2655'FSL 1980'FWL	750	Flared	

#### Gathering System and Pipeline Notification

The well will be connected to a production facility after flowback operations are complete. The gas produced from production facility will flow to Agave Energy Company and will be connected to Agave's low pressure gathering system located in Lea County, New Mexico. The well will require only as small amount of pipeline to connect the facility to low pressure gathering system, as this well is part of a development with gathering lines very nearby. The actual flow of the gas will be based on compression operating parameters and gathering system pressures.

#### Flowback Strategy

After the fracture treatment/completion operations, well(s) will be produced to temporary production tanks and gas will be flared or vented. During flowback, the fluids and sand content will be monitored. When the produced fluids contain minimal sand, the wells will be turned to production facilities. Gas sales should start as soon as the wells start flowing through the production facilities, unless there are operational issues on Agave's system at that time. Based on current information, it is Yates Petroleum's belief the system can take this gas upon completion of the well(s).

Safety requirements during cleanout operations from the use of underbalanced air cleanout systems may necessitate that sand and non-pipeline quality gas be vented and/or flared rather than sold on a temporary basis.

#### Alternatives to Reduce Flaring

Below are alternatives considered from a conceptual standpoint to reduce the amount of gas flared.

- Power Generation – On lease
  - Only a portion of gas is consumed operating the generator, remainder of gas will be flared
- Compressed Natural Gas – On lease
  - Gas flared would be minimal, but might be uneconomical to operate when gas volume declines
- NGL Removal – On lease
  - Plants are expensive, residue gas is still flared, and uneconomical to operate when gas volume declines