Form 3160-5 (June 2015)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

OCD Hobbs

FORM APPROVED OMB NO. 1004-0137 expires: January 31, 2018

Expires:
Lease Serial No.
NMNM86154

	SUNDRY NOTICES	AND REPORTS	ON WELLS
Do	not use this form for	proposals to drill	or to re-enter and

abandoned well. Use form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals. OBBS OCDIf Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name

SUBMIT IN 1	7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No. NMNM134775								
Type of Well	EIVE	8. Well Name and No. TRISTE DRAW 25 FEDERAL COM 3H							
Name of Operator CIMAREX ENERGY COMPAN		9. API Well No. 30-025-41150-00-S1							
3a. Address 202 S CHEYENNE AVE. SUIT TULSA, OK 74103	10. Field and Pool or Exploratory Area TRISTE DRAW-DELAWARE								
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T.	, R., M., or Survey Description)			11. County or Parish, St	ate				
Sec 25 T23S R32E SESW 386	LEA COUNTY, NM								
12. CHECK THE AF	PROPRIATE BOX(ES) TO INDICA	TE NATURE OF	NOTICE,	REPORT, OR OTHE	ER DATA				
TYPE OF SUBMISSION	ACTION								
Notice of Intent	☐ Acidize ☐ Dee	epen	☐ Producti	on (Start/Resume)	☐ Water Shut-Off				
Notice of Intent	☐ Alter Casing ☐ Hyd	draulic Fracturing	☐ Reclama	ation	■ Well Integrity				
☐ Subsequent Report	☐ Casing Repair ☐ New	w Construction	□ Recomp	lete	Other				
☐ Final Abandonment Notice	☐ Change Plans ☐ Plu	g and Abandon	☐ Tempora	arily Abandon	Venting and/or Flari				
	☐ Convert to Injection ☐ Plu	g Back	☐ Water D	risposal	116				
testing has been completed. Final Abandonment Notices must be filed only after all requirements, including reclamation, have been completed and the operator has determined that the site is ready for final inspection. Cimarex requests to flare approximately 600 mcf through April 1st 2017 through June 30th 2017 due to compressor problems SEE ATTACHED FOR CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL									
14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Electronic Submission #371805 verified by the BLM Well Information System For CIMAREX ENERGY COMPANY OF CO, sent to the Hobbs Committed to AFMSS for processing by DEBORAH MCKINNEY on 04/06/2017 (17DLM0751SE)									
Name (Printed/Typed) AMTITHY	Title REGULA	ATORY AN	ALYST						
Signature (Electronic S	Date 03/31/2017								
THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE									
certify that the applicant holds legal or equivalent would entitle the applicant to conduct the second tributes as a second to the second tributes as a seco	U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any p			, ,	Date 07/10/2017				
States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.									

(Instructions on page 2)
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CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO TRISTE DRAW 25 FEDERAL COM 3H NMNM86154

07/10/2017

Pursuant to, 43 CFR 3179

Lessees or operators are hereby authorized to vent or flare gas on a short-term basis without incurring a royalty obligation in the following circumstances:

- A. 43 CFR 3179.105 Emergencies (a) An operator may flare or, if flaring is not feasible given the emergency, vent gas royalty-free under §3179.4 (a) (vi) of this subpart during an emergency. For purposes of this subpart, an "emergency" is a temporary, infrequent and unavoidable situation in which the loss of gas or oil is uncontrollable or necessary to avoid risk of an immediate and substantial adverse impact on safety, public health, or the environment. For purposes of royalty assessment, an "emergency" is limited to a short-term situation of 24 hours or less (unless the BLM agrees that the emergency conditions necessitating venting or flaring extend for a longer period) caused by an unanticipated event or failure that is out of the operator's control and was not due to operator negligence.
- B. 43 CFR 3179.4 Determining when the loss of oil or gas is avoidable or unavoidable. (2) Avoidably lost oil or gas means: Lost oil or gas that is not "unavoidably lost," as defined in paragraph (a) of this section; waste oil that became waste oil through operator negligence; and, any "excess flared gas," as defined in §3179.7.
- C. 43 CFR 3179.5 When lost production is subject to royalty.
 - (a) Royalty is due on all avoidably lost oil or gas.
 - (b) Royalty is not due on any unavoidably lost oil or gas.

Condition of Approval to Flare Gas

- 1. The first 24 hours of a <u>temporary emergency flare</u> is considered "unavoidably lost" and is therefore royalty free. Flared volumes that are considered unavoidably lost are not to be included in Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5). These Volumes are not royalty bearing and shall be reported on OGOR "B" as either disposition code "21" or "22".
- 2. Flared volumes considered to be "avoidably lost": These flare events will require prior approval via Notice of Intent- Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5). Volumes flared beyond limits defined in 43 CFR 3179.7 are considered "avoidably lost" and will require payment of royalties, unless an exception is granted in accordance with 43 CFR 3179. Volumes for avoidably lost gas shall be reported on OGOR "B" reports as disposition code "08".

If the operator believes that the flared volumes were "unavoidably lost" and the BLM determines them to be "avoidably lost", the operator can submit a more detailed request via Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5) for an exception in accordance with 43 CFR 3179.4, 3179.103 - 3179.105. As an alternative to producing oil and flaring gas the operator may choose to shut the well in and avoid paying royalties on otherwise avoidably lost gas.

- 3. Approval not to exceed 90 days, (<u>from 04/01/2017 to 06/30/2017</u>), if flaring is still required past 60 days submit new request for approval.
- 4. Submit Subsequent Report with actual volumes of gas flared for each month gas is flared on a Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5). Include method for volume determination and duration. Report unavoidably lost (first 24 hrs. of unexpected event) and avoidably lost (exceeding the first 24 hrs. or flared gas that has been approved as avoidably lost by the Authorized Officer) volumes and durations on the Subsequent Report.
- 5. In determining the volumes of gas to be reported, shall be in accordance with 43 CFR 3179.4, 43 CFR 3179.5, 43 CFR 3179.9 and 43 CFR 3179.10
- 6. The operator must estimate or measure all volumes of gas vented or flared gas by one of the following methods.
 - Measure the flare gas by a meter. The meter shall meet all requirements for a sales meter as per Federal Regulations, 43 CFR 3175. Include meter serial number on Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5).
 - ii. Calculate the volume of the flared gas based on the results of a regularly performed GOR test and measured values for the volumes of oil production and gas sales, so as to allow BLM to independently verify the volume, rate, and heating value of the gas flared.

Regulation Ref: Link to 43 CFR 3179 **Waste Prevention and Resources Conservation**; https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-

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