

## Hydrogen Sulfide Drilling

## **Operations** Plan

# Matador Production Company

# 1 H2S safety instructions to the following:

- Characteristics of H2S
- Physical effects and hazards
- Principal and operation of H2S detectors, warning system and briefing areas
- Evacuation procedures, routes and first aid
- Proper use of safety equipment & life support systems
- Essential personnel meeting medical evaluation criteria will receive additional training on the proper use of 30min pressure demand air packs

# 2 H2S Detection and Alarm Systems:

- H2S sensor/detectors to be located on the drilling rig floor, in the base of the sub structure / cellar area, on the mud pits in the shale shaker area. Additional H2S detectors may be placed as deemed necessary
- An audio alarm system will be installed on the derrick floor and in the doghouse

## 3 Windsocks and / Wind Streamers:

- Windsocks at mud pit area should be high enough to be visible
- Windsock on the rig floor and / top of doghouse should be high enough to be visible

#### 4 Condition Flags and Signs:

- Warning sign on access road to location
- Flags to be displayed on sign at entrance to location
  - Green Flag Normal Safe Operation Condition
  - Yellow Flag Potential Pressure and Danger
  - Red Flag Danger (H2S present in dangerous concentrations) Only H2S trained personnel admitted on location

# 5 Well Control Equipment:

• See Number 22 on APD

#### 6 Communication:

- While working under masks chalkboards will be used for communications
- Hand signals will be used where chalk board is inappropriate
- Two way radio will be used to communicate off location in case of emergency help is required. In most cases cellular telephones will be available at most drilling foreman's trailer or living quarters.



7 Drilling Stem Testing:

• No DST cores are planned at this time

8 Drilling contractor supervisor will be required to be familiar with the effects H2S has on tubulars good and other mechanical equipment

9 If H2S is encountered, mud system will be altered if necessary to maintain control of formation. A mud gas separator will be brought into service along with H2S scavengers if necessary

11 Emergency Contacts

• See exhibit E-1