Form 3160-5 (June 2015)

## **UNITED STATES** DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

**NMOCD** Hobbs

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

5.	Lease Serial No.	
	NMNM123522	

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SUBMIT IN T	7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.								
1. Type of Well	8. Well Name and No.								
☑ Oil Well ☐ Gas Well ☐ Oth	WISH FEDERAL 1								
Name of Operator     COG OPERATING LLC	Contact: E-Mail: cseely@co		EINED	30-025-26241					
3a. Address 2208 W MAIN STREET ARTESIA, NM 88210		. (include area code) 8-1549		10. Field and Pool or Exploratory Area TEAS					
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T.	., R., M., or Survey Description,			11. County or Parish, State					
Sec 27 T20S R33E SWNE 19 35.545910 N Lat, 103.647970				LEA COUNTY, NM					
12. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT, OR OTHER DATA									
TYPE OF SUBMISSION		TYPE OF	ACTION						
Notice of Intent     ■	☐ Acidize ☐ Dee		pen Prod		ion (Start/Resume)	■ Water Shut-Off			
	☐ Alter Casing	lter Casing		☐ Reclama	ation	■ Well Integrity			
☐ Subsequent Report	☐ Casing Repair		Construction	□ Recomp		☑ Other Venting and/or Flari			
☐ Final Abandonment Notice	☐ Change Plans			☐ Temporarily Abandon		ng			
		Convert to Injection Plug Back		☐ Water Disposal					
13. Describe Proposed or Completed Ope If the proposal is to deepen directiona Attach the Bond under which the wor following completion of the involved testing has been completed. Final Ab determined that the site is ready for final	ally or recomplete horizontally, will be performed or provide operations. If the operation re- condonment Notices must be file	give subsurface the Bond No. or sults in a multiple	locations and measure in file with BLM/BIA de completion or reco	red and true ve Required sub empletion in a r	rtical depths of all pertine osequent reports must be f new interval, a Form 3160	ent markers and zones. filed within 30 days 0-4 must be filed once			
COG OPERATING LLC RESP	PECTFULLY REQUEST 1	O FLARE A	THE WISH FE	O 1.					
FROM 3/2/18 TO 5/31/18.									
# OF WELLS: 1 WISH FED 1: 30-025-26241		SEE ATTACHED FOR CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL							
BBLS OIL/DAY: 1 MCF/DAY: 15			CONDITI	ONS O	F APPROVA				
REASON: NO PIPELINE CONNECTION									
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14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct.  Electronic Submission #406128 verified by the BLM Well Information System  For COG OPERATING LC, sent to the Hobbs  Committed to AFMSS for processing by JENNIFER SANCHEZ on 03/12/2018 ()  Name (Printed/Typed) CATHY SEELY  Title ENGINEERING TECH									
Signature (Electronic S	Submission)	Date 02/28/20	018	APPRØVED					
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Approved By		Title			Date///				
Conditions of approval, if any, are attached certify that the applicant holds legal or equivalent would entitle the applicant to conductive the applicant to conductive the applicant to conductive the applicant to conduct	itable title to those rights in the	Office	BUREA	U OF LAND MANAGED	XIN //				
Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 States any false, fictitious or fraudulent s	U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a statements or representations as	crime for any po to any matter w	erson knowingly and ithin its jurisdiction.	willfully to ma	ike to any department or a	agency of the United			
(Instructions on page 2) ** OPERAT	OR-SUBMITTED ** O	PERATOR-	SUBMITTED *	* OPERAT	OR-SUBMITTED	**			

MSB/OCD 3/20/2018

## BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Carlsbad Field Office 620 East Greene Street Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220 575-234-5972

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**

- 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, if flaring is still required past 90 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). <u>Include method for volume determination and duration</u>. <u>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.</u>
- 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 (due to volume of gas being flared).
     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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