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1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
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State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources  
Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-141  
Revised October 10, 2003

Submit 2 Copies to appropriate  
District Office in accordance  
with Rule 116 on back  
side of form

30-025-06114

### Release Notification and Corrective Action

#### OPERATOR

☒ Initial Report ☐ Final Report

Name of Company	Apache Corporation	Contact	Travis Carnes
Address	P.O. Drawer D, Monument, NM 88265	Telephone No.	(432) 425-2962
Facility Name	State Q Battery	Facility Type	Production

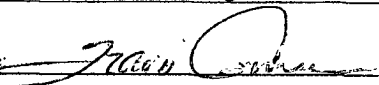
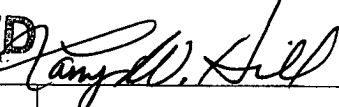
Surface Owner	State of New Mexico	Mineral Owner	Apache Corporation	Lease No.	035591
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#### LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
J	16	20S	37E	1980	South	2310	East	Lea

Latitude 32.57059 Longitude -103.25415

#### NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release	Produced water	Volume of Release	UNK Estimate 6-24 Bbls	Volume Recovered	5 Bbls
Source of Release	Water discharge line	Date and Hour of Occurrence	1/20/09 - AM	Date and Hour of Discovery	1/20/09 - 11:00 AM
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?			
By Whom?	Date and Hour				
Was a Watercourse Reached?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.			
If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.*  No watercourse was impacted					
Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.* Corrosion caused a failure in the integrity of the water pump discharge line. The pumper isolated the leak, shut down the wells, and called a vacuum truck. The vacuum truck recovered 5 Bbls produced water. A roustabout gang repaired the line & returned it to service.					
Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.* The release was contained inside the berm of the battery and was restricted to the area around the production equipment. The approximate size of the spill footprint was 1700 ft <sup>2</sup> . Impact to ground water and/or environment is being investigated as described in the attachment.					
I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to NMOCD rules and regulations all operators are required to report and/or file certain release notifications and perform corrective actions for releases which may endanger public health or the environment. The acceptance of a C-141 report by the NMOCD marked as "Final Report" does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD acceptance of a C-141 report does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.					
Signature: 		OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION RECEIVED			
Printed Name: Travis Carnes		Approved by District Supervisor: 			
Title: Production Foreman		Approval Date: FEB 03 2009		Expiration Date:	
E-mail Address: travis.carnes@usa.apachecorp.com		Conditions of Approval: HOBBSOCD		Attached <input type="checkbox"/>	
Date: 1/21/09		Phone: 432-425-2962			

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

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February 3, 2009

Mr. L.W. Hill  
NMOCD District 1  
1625 N. French Drive  
Hobbs, New Mexico 88240  
Via Email and FEDEX

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RE: Apache Corporation State Q Battery  
Notice of Release T20S, R37E Section 16 UL J, Lat 32.57059 Long -103.25415

Dear Mr. Hill:

Attached to this letter is our original C-141 for a minor release at the above-referenced site. Under separate cover, R.T. Hicks Consultants, Ltd. will submit our final report that uses API's Amigo produced water spill tool to help evaluate the environmental impact. Because this release was quite small, we were not surprised to see that the evaluation determined that the residual chloride in soil does not pose a threat to fresh water or the environment.

Apache believes that the Amigo decision tool can help us to focus our environmental efforts on sites that require action and eliminate unnecessary responses. Because we anticipate using the Amigo tool for larger spills (although we hope such a need does not arise), Hicks Consultants has volunteered to meet with NMOCD in Hobbs to present their findings and conclusions and address any questions. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,  
Apache Corporation

  
Travis Carnes

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