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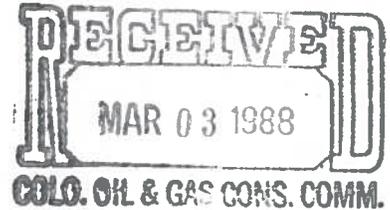
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March 1, 1988



United States Department of the Interior  
Bureau of Land Management  
Branch of Fluid and Minerals  
% Mr. Hank Szymanski  
455 Emerson Street  
Craig, Colorado 81625

Dear Mr. Szymanski:

The purpose of this letter is to document the Lateral 124 failure in Section 23, Township 12 North, Range 100 West, Moffat County, Colorado. Attached is an "Undesirable Event Report" summarizing the incident.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (801) 530-2522.

Sincerely,

*David C. Flaim*

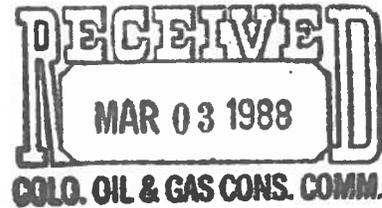
David C. Flaim  
Coordinator of Environmental Affairs

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### Attachments

cc: **Mr. Bill Smith**  
Oil & Gas Conservation Commission  
1580 Logan Street  
Suite 380  
Denver, Colorado 80203

UNDESIRABLE EVENT REPORT



Subject: Report of Undesirable Event

Date of Occurrence: February 7, 1988 Time of Occurrence: 9:30 a.m., p.m.

Date Reported to USGS: February 8, 1988 Time Reported to USGS: 1:30 a.m., p.m.

Location: State Colorado; County Moffat

SE 1/4 NE 1/4 Section 23 T. 12 N., R. 100 W., 6th P Meridian

Operator: Wexpro

Surface Ownership: FEDERAL, INDIAN, FEE, STATE

Lease Number: C-9001; Unit Name or C.A. Number N/A

Type of Event: BLOWOUT, FIRE, FATALITY, INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OIL SPILL, SALTWATER SPILL, TOXIC FLUID SPILL, OIL AND SALTWATER SPILL, OIL AND TOXIC FLUID SPILL, SALTWATER AND TOXIC FLUID SPILL, GAS VENTING, or OTHER (Specify) Production line failure

Cause of Event: Corrosion break in the 6-inch lateral at a 90-degree elbow. The break occurred six feet below the surface of the ground.

Volumes of Pollutants I. Discharged or Consumed: Approximately 6-8 barrels II. Recovered: None

Time Required to Control Event (in hours): 14.5 hours

Action Taken to Control the Event, Description of Resultant Damage, Clean-up Procedures, and Dates: See attachment

Cause and Extent of Personnel Injury: N/A

Other Federal, State, and Local Governmental Agencies Notified: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

Action Taken to Prevent Recurrence: The lateral will be repaired and returned to service.

General Remarks:

Signature David C. Flavin Date March 1, 1988

Title Coordinator of Environmental Affairs

Action Taken to Control the Event, Description of Resultant Damage, Cleanup Procedures and Dates:

The lateral failure at the F. Wilson Well #11 resulted in a loss of approximately 6-8 barrels of condensate. A herd of sheep was in the area at the time of the event, and several animals drank the snow melt that was contaminated with condensate. Subsequently, 35 head of sheep died and the carcasses were buried on location. A representative from the BLM designated a location for the disposal.

The BLM suggested that two small pits be excavated to collect the water, thus preventing the contaminated snow melt from reaching Shell Creek (approximately 1/2 mile away). A vac truck was used to collect the contaminated water, and it was disposed of at the approved Hiawatha disposal well.

On February 10, 1988, the lateral was repaired and returned to service.

On February 14, 1988, the two pits were backfilled and the site was restored to its original condition.

