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FIELD INSPECTION FORM
 Loc ID 322394 Inspector Name: Spencer, Stan On-Site Inspection ☐ 2A Doc Num:
Operator Information:

OGCC Operator Number: 64310

Name of Operator: NORTHSTAR GAS COMPANY INC

Address: PO BOX 440789

City: HOUSTON State: TX Zip: 77244

Status Summary:☐ THIS IS A FOLLOW UP INSPECTION☒ FOLLOW UP INSPECTION REQUIRED☐ NO FOLLOW UP INSPECTION REQUIRED**Findings:**

4 Number of Comments

1 Number of Corrective Actions

☒ Corrective Action Response Requested**Contact Information:**

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General Comment:

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Arrive on location 12/9 am. Weather is 33F and cloudy. Met with BLM staff including: Bob Harman, Jim Byers, Ed Fancher and Carmia Woolley. Operator's cleanup crew does not arrive. Well is still venting both east and west from uncapped valves. Oily mist has blown over steep cutbank (~20' vertical) into Trail Creek onto ice and snow on partially frozen surface. Work with BLM staff to shovel oily snow from creek and bank and deposit in unlined pit south of wellhead. Residual contamination remains impacting soil and vegetation ~100 ft in both directions from wellhead. Difficult to assess volume of spill. Leave site 12:30 pm. Received notice from BLM ~ 3pm that wellhead and been capped and venting stopped. No communication from operator on 12/9.

Environmental**Spills/Releases:**Type of Spill: PRODUCED WATER

Estimated Spill Volume: _____

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Corrective Action: **Submit F-19 spill report within 24 hrs. Notify CDPHE WQCD of impact to Waters of the State of Colorado. Assess nature and extent of contamination with confirmation surface water and soil samples. Remediate to Table 910-1 standards and provide documentation in a either a Supplemental F-19 if cleaned up immediately and/or F-27 if extended remediation is required. Documentation must include a figure showing spill area with sample locations plus laboratory results. Also include any information that operator has available concerning well failure analysis and any data concerning the root causes of the release.**

Date: 12/30/2016Reportable: YES

GPS: Lat _____ Long _____

Proximity to Surface Water: 0

Depth to Ground Water: _____

Water Well Complaint:

Lat _____ Long _____

DWR Receipt Num: _____ Owner Name: _____ GPS : _____

Field Parameters:

Sample Location: _____ Comment: _____

Attached DocumentsYou can go to COGCC Images (<https://cogcc.state.co.us/weblink/>) and search by document number:

Document Num	Description	URL
674300798	looking west towards creek	http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4024569
674300799	looking east towards Hwy 139	http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4024570
674300800	Trail Creek looking west	http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4024571
674300801	Trail Creek looking south	http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4024572
674300802	East bank of Trail Creek	http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4024573