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MONITORING, REPORTING, AND VERIFICATION PLAN

Red Hills AGI #1 and Red Hills AGI #3

Targa Northern Delaware, LLC (TND)

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1 Introduction

Targa Northern Delaware, LLC (TND) is currently authorized to inject treated acid gas (TAG) into the Red Hills Acid Gas Injection #1 well (RH AGI #1)(American Petroleum Institute (API) 30-025-40448) and the RH AGI #3 well (API # 30-025-51970) under the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission (NMOCC) Orders R-13507 – 13507F and Order R-20916H, respectively, at the Red Hills Gas Plant located approximately 20 miles NNW of Jal in Lea County, New Mexico (**Figure 1-1**). Each well is approved to inject 13 million standard cubic feet per day (MMSCFD). However, although approved to inject 13 MMSCFD, RH AGI #1 is physically only capable of taking ~5 MMSCFD due to formation and surface pressure limitations.

RH AGI #1 was previously operated by Lucid Energy Delaware, LLC's ("Lucid"). TND acquired Lucid assets in 2022. Lucid received authorization to construct a redundant well, RH AGI #2 (API# 30-025-49474) under NMOCC Order R-20916-H, which is offset 200 ft to the north of RH AGI #1 and is currently temporarily abandoned in the Bell Canyon Formation.

TND recently received approval from NMOCC for its C-108 application to drill, complete and operate a third acid gas injection well (RH AGI #3) for which TND requested an injection volume of up to 13 MMSCFD. RH AGI #3 was spudded on 9/13/2023, completed on 9/27/2023, and injection commenced on 1/11/2024. Because RH AGI #1 does not have complete redundancy, having a greater permitted disposal volume will also increase operational reliability. RH AGI #3 is a vertical well with its surface location at approximately 3,116 ft from the north line (FNL) and 1,159 ft from the east line (FEL) of Section 13. The depth of the injection zone for this well is approximately 5,700 to 7,600 ft in the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon Formations (see As-Built schematic in **Figure Appendix 1-2**). Analysis of the reservoir characteristics of these units confirms that they act as excellent closed-system reservoirs that will accommodate the future needs of TND for disposal of treated acid gas (H₂S and CO₂) from the Red Hills Gas Plant.

TND has chosen to submit this Monitoring, Reporting, and Verification (MRV) plan to EPA for approval according to 40CFR98.440(c)(1), Subpart RR of the Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program (GHGRP) for the purpose of qualifying for the tax credit in section 45Q of the federal Internal Revenue Code. TND intends to inject $CO₂$ for another 30 years.

Figure 1-1: Location of the Red Hills Gas Plant and Wells – RH AGI #1, RH AGI #2 (temporarily abandoned), and RH AGI #3

This MRV Plan contains twelve sections:

Section 1 is this Introduction.

Section 2 contains facility information.

Section 3 contains the project description.

Section 4 contains the delineation of the maximum monitoring area (MMA) and the active monitoring area (AMA), both defined in 40CFR98.449, and as required by 40CFR98.448(a)(1), Subpart RR of the GHGRP.

Section 5 identifies the potential surface leakage pathways for $CO₂$ in the MMA and evaluates the likelihood, magnitude, and timing of surface leakage of $CO₂$ through these pathways as required by 40CFR98.448(a)(2), Subpart RR of the GHGRP.

Section 6 describes the detection, verification, and quantification of leakage from the identified potential sources of leakage as required by 40CFR98.448(a)(3).

Section 7 describes the strategy for establishing the expected baselines for monitoring $CO₂$ surface leakage as required by 40CFR98.448(a)(4), Subpart RR of the GHGRP.

Section 8 provides a summary of the considerations used to calculate site-specific variables for the mass balance equation as required by 40CFR98.448(a)(5), Subpart RR of the GHGRP.

Section 9 provides the estimated schedule for implementation of this MRV Plan as required by 40CFR98.448(a)(7).

Section 10 describes the quality assurance and quality control procedures that will be implemented for each technology applied in the leak detection and quantification process. This section also includes a discussion of the procedures for estimating missing data as detailed in 40CFR98.445.

Section 11 describes the records to be retained according to the requirements of 40CFR98.3(g) of Subpart A of the GHGRP and 40CFR98.447 of Subpart RR of the GRGRP.

Section 12 includes Appendices supporting the narrative of the MRV Plan, including information required by 40CFR98.448(a)(6).

2 Facility Information

2.1 Reporter number

Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program ID is **553798**

2.2 UIC injection well identification numbers

This MRV plan is for RH AGI #1 and RH AGI #3 (**Appendix 1**). The details of the injection process are provided in Section 3.7.

2.3 UIC permit class

For injection wells that are the subject of this MRV plan, the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) has issued Underground Injection Control (UIC) Class II acid gas injection (AGI) permits under its State Rule 19.15.26 NMAC (see **Appendix 2**). All oil- and gas-related wells around the RH AGI wells, including both injection and production wells, are regulated by the NMOCD, which has primacy to implement the UIC Class II program.

3 Project Description

The following project description was developed by the Petroleum Recovery Research Center (PRRC) at New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology (NMT) and the Department of Geosciences at the University of Texas Permian Basin (UTPB).

3.1 General Geologic Setting / Surficial Geology

The TND Red Hills Gas Plant is located in T 24 S R 33 E, Section 13, in Lea County, New Mexico, immediately adjacent to the RH AGI wells. (**Figure 3.1-1**). The plant location is within a portion of the Pecos River basin referred to as the Querecho Plains reach (Nicholson & Clebsch, 1961). This area is relatively flat and largely covered by sand dunes underlain by a hard caliche surface. The dune sands are locally stabilized with shin oak, mesquite, and some burr-grass. There are no natural surface bodies of water within one mile of the plant and where drainages exist in interdunal areas, they are ephemeral, discontinuous, dry washes. The plant site is underlain by Quaternary alluvium overlying the Triassic red beds of the Santa Rosa Formation (Dockum Group), both of which are local sources of groundwater.

Figure 3.1-1: Map showing location of TND Red Hills Gas Plant and RH AGI Wells in Section 13, T 24 S, R 33 E

3.2 Bedrock Geology

3.2.1 Basin Development

The Red Hills Gas Plant and the RH AGI wells are located at the northern margin of the Delaware Basin, a sub-basin of the larger, encompassing Permian Basin (**Figure 3.2-1**), which covers a large area of southeastern New Mexico and west Texas.

Figure 3.2-1: Structural features of the Permian Basin during the Late Permian. Location of the RH AGI wells is shown by the black circle. (Modified from Ward, et al (1986))

Figure 3.2-2 is a generalized stratigraphic column showing the formations that underlie the Red Hills Gas Plant and RH AGI wells site. The thick sequences of Permian through Cambrian rocks are described below. A general description of the stratigraphy of the area is provided in this section. A more detailed discussion of the injection zone and the upper and lower confining zones is presented in Section 3.3 below.

The RH AGI wells are located in the Delaware Basin portion of the broader Permian Basin. Sediments in the area date back to the Cambrian Bliss Sandstone (Broadhead, 2017; **Figure 3.2-2**) and overlay Precambrian granites. These late Cambrian transgressive sandstones were the initial deposits from a shallow marine sea that covered most of North America and Greenland (**Figure 3.2-3**). With continued down warping and/or sea-level rise, a broad, relatively shallow marine basin formed. The Ellenburger Formation (0 - 1000 ft) is dominated by dolostones and limestones that were deposited on restricted carbonate shelves (Broadhead, 2017; Loucks and Kerans, 2019). Throughout this narrative, the numbers after the formations indicate the range in thickness for that unit. Tectonic activity near the end of Ellenburger deposition resulted in subaerial exposure and karstification of these carbonates which increased the unit's overall porosity and permeability.

AGE		CENTRAL BASIN PLATFORM- NORTHWEST SHELF		DELAWARE BASIN		
Cenozoic		Alluvium		Alluvium		
		Chinle Formation		Chinle Formation		
Triassic		Santa Rosa Sandstone		Santa Rosa Sandstone		
Permian	Lopingian (Ochoan)	Dewey Lake Formation		Dewey Lake Formation		
		Rustler Formation Salado Formation		Rustler Formation Salado Formation		
					Castile Formation	
	Guadalupian	Artesia Group	Tansill Formation		Lamar Limestone	
			Yates Formation	Delaware Mountain Group	Bell Canyon Formation	
			Seven Rivers Formation			
			Queen Formation		Cherry Canyon Formation	
			Grayburg Formation			
			San Andres Formation		Brushy Canyon Formation	
	Cisuralian (Leonardian)	Glorieta Formation Paddock Mbr.				
			Blinebry Mbr		Bone Spring Formation	
		Yeso	Tubb Sandstone Mbr.			
			Drinkard Mbr.			
	Wolfcampian		Abo Formation			
			Hueco ("Wolfcamp") Fm.		Hueco ("Wolfcamp") Fm.	
Pennsylvanian	Virgilian	Cisco Formation		Cisco		
	Missourian	Canyon Formation		Canyon		
	Des Moinesian	Strawn Formation		Strawn		
	Atokan		Atoka Formation		Atoka	
	Morrowan	Morrow Formation		Morrow		
	Upper	Barnett Shale		Barnett Shale		
Mississippian	Lower		"Mississippian limestone"		"Mississippian limestone"	
Devonian	Upper		Woodford Shale		Woodford Shale	
	Middle					
	Lower		Thirtyone Formation		Thirtyone Formation	
Silurian	Upper		Wristen Group		Wristen Group	
	Middle					
	Lower		Fusselman Formation		Fusselman Formation	
Ordovician	Upper	Montoya Formation		Montoya Formation		
	Middle	Simpson Group		Simpson Group		
	Lower		Ellenburger Formation		Ellenburger Formation	
Cambrian		Bliss Ss.		Bliss Ss.		
Precambrian			Miscellaneous igneous, metamorphic, volcanic rocks		Miscellaneous igneous, metamorphic, volcanic rocks	

Figure 3.2-2: Stratigraphic column for the Delaware basin, the Northwest Shelf and Central Basin Platform (modified from Broadhead, 2017).

During Middle to Upper Ordovician time, seas once again covered the area and deposited the carbonates, sandstones and shales of the Simpson Group ($0 - 1000$ ft) and then the Montoya Formation ($0 - 600$ ft). This is the period when the Tobosa Basin formed due to the Pedernal uplift and development of the Texas Arch (**Figure 3.2-4**; Harrington, 2019), which shed Precambrian crystalline clasts into the basin. Simpson reservoirs in New Mexico are typically within deposits of shoreline sandstones (Broadhead, 2017). A subaerial exposure and karstification event followed the deposition of the Simpson Group. The Montoya Formation marked a return to dominantly carbonate sedimentation with minor siliciclastic sedimentation within the Tobosa Basin (Broadhead, 2017; Harrington and Loucks, 2019). The Montoya Formation consists of sandstones and dolomites and has also undergone karstification.

Figure 3.2-3: A subsidence chart from Reeves County, Texas showing the timing of development of the Tobosa and Delaware basins during Paleozoic deposition (from Ewing, 2019)

Figure 3.2-4: Tectonic Development of the Tobosa and Permian Basins. A) Late Mississippian (Ewing, 2019). Note the lateral extent (pinchout) for the lower Paleozoic strata. B) Late Permian (Ruppel, 2019a).

Siluro-Devonian formations consist of the Upper Ordovician to Lower Silurian Fusselman Formation ($0 -$ 1,500 ft), the Upper Silurian to Lower Devonian Wristen Group (0 – 1,400 ft), and the Lower Devonian Thirtyone Formation (0 – 250 ft). The Fusselman Formation is primarily shallow-marine platform deposits of dolostones and limestones (Broadhead, 2017; Ruppel, 2019b). Subaerial exposure and karstification associated with another unconformity at top of the Fusselman Formation as well as intraformational exposure events created brecciated fabrics, widespread dolomitization, and solution-enlarged pores and fractures (Broadhead, 2017). The overlying Wristen and Thirtyone units appear to be conformable. The Wristen Group consists of tidal to high-energy platform margin carbonate deposits of dolostones, limestones, and cherts with minor siliciclastics (Broadhead, 2017; Ruppel, 2020). The Thirtyone Formation is present in the southeastern corner of New Mexico and appears to be either removed by erosion or not deposited elsewhere in New Mexico (**Figure 3.2-5**). It is shelfal carbonate with varying amounts of chert nodules and represents the last carbonate deposition in the area during Devonian time (Ruppel et al., 2020a).

Figure 3.2-5: A subcrop map of the Thirtyone and Woodford formations. The Woodford (brown) lies unconformably on top of the Wristen Group where there are no Thirtyone sediments (yellow). Diagram is from Ruppel (2020).

The Siluro-Devonian units are saltwater injection zones within the Delaware Basin and are typically dolomitized, shallow marine limestones that have secondary porosity produced by subaerial exposure, karstification and later fracturing/faulting. These units will be discussed in more detail in Section 3.2.2.

The Devonian Woodford Shale, an un-named Mississippian limestone, and the Upper Mississippian Barnett Shale are seals for the underlying Siluro-Devonian strata. While the Mississippian recrystallized limestones

have minor porosity and permeability, the Woodford and Barnett shales have extremely low porosity and permeability and would be effective barriers to upward migration of acid gas out of the injection zone. The Woodford Shale (0 – 300 ft) ranges from organic–rich argillaceous mudstones with abundant siliceous microfossils to organic-poor argillaceous mudstones (Ruppel et al., 2020b). The Woodford sediments represent stratified deeper marine basinal deposits with their organic content being a function of the oxygenation within the bottom waters – the more anoxic the waters the higher the organic content.

The Mississippian strata within the Delaware Basin consists of an un-named carbonate member and the Barnett Shale and unconformably overlies the Woodford Shale. The lower Mississippian limestone (0 – 800 ft) are mostly carbonate mudstones with minor argillaceous mudstones and cherts. These units were deposited on a Mississippian ramp/shelf and have mostly been overlooked because of the reservoirs limited size. Where the units have undergone karstification, porosity may approach 4 to 9% (Broadhead, 2017), otherwise porosity is very low. The Barnett Shale $(0 - 400 \text{ ft})$ unconformably overlies the Lower Mississippian carbonates and consists of Upper Mississippian carbonates deposited on a shelf to basinal siliciclastic deposits that make up the Barnett Shale.

Pennsylvanian sedimentation is dominated by glacio-eustatic sea-level cycles that produced shallowing upward cycles of sediments, ranging from deep marine siliciclastic and carbonate deposits to shallow-water limestones and siliciclastics, and capping terrestrial siliciclastic sediments and karsted limestones. Lower Pennsylvanian units consist of the Morrow and Atoka formations. The Morrow Formation (0 – 2,000 ft) within the northern Delaware Basin was deposited as part of a deepening upward cycle with depositional environments ranging from fluvial/deltaic deposits at the base, sourced from the crystalline rocks of the Pedernal Uplift to the northwest, to high-energy, near-shore coastal sandstones and deeper and/or lowenergy mudstones (Broadhead, 2017; Wright, 2020). The Atoka Formation (0-500 ft) was deposited during another sea-level transgression within the area. Within the area, the Atoka sediments are dominated by siliciclastic sediments, and depositional environments range from fluvial/deltas, shoreline to near-shore coastal barrier bar systems to occasional shallow-marine carbonates (Broadhead, 2017; Wright, 2020).

Middle Pennsylvanian units consist of the Strawn group (an informal name used by industry). Strawn sediments (250 - 1,000 ft) within the area consist of marine sediments that range from ramp carbonates, containing patch reefs, and marine sandstone bars to deeper marine shales (Broadhead, 2017).

Upper Pennsylvanian Canyon ($0 - 1,200$ ft) and Cisco ($0 - 500$ ft) group deposits are dominated by marine, carbonate-ramp deposits and basinal, anoxic, organic-rich shales.

Deformation, folding and high-angle faulting, associated with the Upper Pennsylvanian/Early Permian Ouachita Orogeny, created the Permian Basin and its two sub-basins, the Midland and Delaware basins (Hills, 1984; King, 1948), the Northwest Shelf (NW Shelf), and the Central Basin Platform (CBP; **Figures 3.2-4, 3.2-6, 3.2-7**). The Permian "Wolfcamp" or Hueco Formation was deposited after the creation of the Permian Basin. The Wolfcampian sediments were the first sediments to fill in the structural relief (**Figure 3.2-6**). The Wolfcampian Hueco Group (~400 ft on the NW Shelf, >2,000 ft in the Delaware Basin) consists of shelf margin deposits ranging from barrier reefs and fore slope deposits, bioherms, shallow-water carbonate shoals, and basinal carbonate mudstones (Broadhead, 2017; Fu et al., 2020). Since deformation continued throughout the Permian, the Wolfcampian sediments were truncated in places like the Central Basin Platform (**Figure 3.2-6**).

Figure 3.2-6: Cross section through the western Central Basin Platform showing the structural relationship between the Pennsylvanian and older units and Permian strata (modified from Ward et al., 1986; from Scholle et al., 2007).

Figure 3.2-7: Reconstruction of southwestern United States about 278 million years ago. The Midland Basin (MB), Delaware Basin (DB) and Orogrande Basin (OB) were the main depositional centers at that time (Scholle et al., 2020).

Differential sedimentation, continual subsidence, and glacial eustasy impacted Permian sedimentation after Hueco deposition and produced carbonate shelves around the edges of deep sub-basins. Within the Delaware Basin, this subsidence resulted in deposition of roughly 12,000 ft of siliciclastics, carbonates, and evaporites (King, 1948). Eustatic sea-level changes and differential sedimentation played an important role in the distribution of sediments/facies within the Permian Basin (**Figure 3.2-2**). During sea-level lowstands, siliciclastic sediments largely bypassed the shelves and were deposited deeper in the basin. Scattered, thin sandstones and siltstones as well as fracture and pore filling sands found up on the shelves correlate to those lowstands. During sea-level highstands, thick sequences of carbonates were deposited by a "carbonate factory" on the shelf and shelf edge. Carbonate debris beds shedding off the shelf margin were

transported into the basin (Wilson, 1972; Scholle et al., 2007). Individual debris flows thinned substantially from the margin to the basin center (from 100s feet to feet).

Unconformably overlying the Hueco Group is the Abo Formation (700 $-$ 1,400 ft). Abo deposits range from carbonate grainstone banks and buildups along Northwest Shelf margin to shallow-marine, back-reef carbonates behind the shelf margin. Further back on the margin, the backreef sediments grade into intertidal carbonates to siliciclastic-rich sabkha red beds to eolian and fluvial deposits closer to the Sierra Grande and Uncompahgre uplifts (Broadhead, 2017, Ruppel, 2019a). Sediments basinward of the Abo margin are equivalent to the lower Bone Spring Formation. The Yeso Formation (1,500 – 2,500 ft), like the Abo Formation, consists of carbonate banks and buildups along the Abo margin. Unlike Abo sediments, the Yeso Formation contains more siliciclastic sediments associated with eolian, sabkha, and tidal flat facies (Ruppel, 2019a). The Yeso shelf sandstones are commonly subdivided into the Drinkard, Tubb, Blinebry, Paddock members (from base to top of section). The Yeso Formation is equivalent to the upper Bone Spring Formation. The Bone Spring Formation is a thick sequence of alternating carbonate and siliciclastic horizons that formed because of changes in sea level; the carbonates during highstands, and siliciclastics during lowstands. Overlying the Yeso, are the clean, white eolian sandstones of the Glorietta Formation, a key marker bed in the region, both on outcrop and in the subsurface. Within the basin, it is equivalent to the lowermost Brushy Canyon Formation of the Delaware Mountain Group.

The Guadalupian San Andres Formation (600 – 1,600 ft) and Artesia Group (<1,800 ft) reflect the change in the shelf margin from a distally steepened ramp to a well-developed barrier reef complex. The San Andres Formation consists of supratidal to sandy subtidal carbonates and banks deposited a distally steepened ramp. Within the San Andres Formation, several periods of subaerial exposure have been identified that have resulted in karstification and pervasive dolomitization of the unit. These exposure events/sea-level lowstands are correlated to sandstones/siltstones that moved out over the exposed shelf leaving minor traces of their presence on the shelf but formed thick sections of sandstones and siltstones in the basin. Within the Delaware Basin, the San Andres Formation is equivalent to the Brushy and lower Cherry Canyon Formations.

The Artesia Group (Grayburg, Queen, Seven Rivers, Yates, and Tansill formations, ascending order) is equivalent to Capitan Limestone, the Guadalupian barrier/fringing reef facies. Within the basin, the Artesia Group is equivalent to the upper Cherry and Bell Canyon formations, a series of relatively featureless sandstones and siltstones. The Queen and Yates formations contain more sandstones than the Grayburg, Seven Rivers, and Tansill formations. The Artesia units and the shelf edge equivalent Capitan reef sediments represent the period when the carbonate factory was at its greatest productivity with the shelf margin/Capitan reef prograding nearly 6 miles into the basin (Scholle et al., 2007). The Artesia Group sediments were deposited in back-reef, shallow marine to supratidal/evaporite environments. Like the San Andres Formation, the individual formations were periodically exposed during lowstands.

The final stage of Permian deposition on the Northwest Shelf consists of the Ochoan/Lopingian Salado Formation (<2,800 ft, Nance, 2020). Within the basin, the Castile formation, a thick sequence (total thickness ~1,800 ft, Scholle et al., 2007) of cyclic laminae of deep-water gypsum/anhydrite interbedded with calcite and organics, formed due to the restriction of marine waters flowing into the basin. Gypsum/anhydrite laminae precipitated during evaporative conditions, and the calcite and organic-rich horizons were a result of seasonal "freshening" of the basin waters by both marine and freshwaters. Unlike the Castile Formation, the Salado Formation is a relatively shallow water evaporite deposit. Halite, sylvite, anhydrite, gypsum, and numerous potash minerals were precipitated. The Rustler Formation (500 ft , Nance, 2020) consists of gypsum/anhydrite, a few magnesitic and dolomitic limestone horizons, and red beds. These are mostly shallow marginal marine deposits and represent the last Permian marine deposits in the Delaware Basin.

The Rustler Formation was followed by terrestrial sabkha red beds of the Dewey Lake Formation (~350', Nance, 2020), ending Permian deposition in the area.

Beginning early in the Triassic, uplift and the breakup of Pangea resulted in another regional unconformity and the deposition of non-marine, alluvial Triassic sediments (Santa Rosa Sandstone and Chinle Formation). They are unconformably overlain by Cenozoic alluvium (which is present at the surface). Cenozoic Basin and Range tectonics resulted in the current configuration of the region and reactivated numerous Paleozoic faults.

3.2.2 Stratigraphy

The Permian rocks found in the Delaware Basin are divided into four series, the Ochoa (most recent, renamed Lopingian), Guadalupian, Leonardian (renamed Cisuralian), and Wolfcampian (oldest) (**Figure 3.2- 2**). This sequence of shallow marine carbonates and thick, basinal siliciclastic deposits contains abundant oil and gas resources and are the main source of oil within New Mexico. In the area around the RH AGI wells, Permian strata are mainly basin deposits consisting of sandstones, siltstones, shales, and lesser amounts of carbonates. Besides production in the Delaware Mountain Group, there is also production, mainly gas, in the basin Bone Spring Formation, a sequence of carbonates and siliciclastics. The injection and confining zones for RH AGI #1 and RH AGI #3 are discussed below.

CONFINING/SEAL ROCKS

Permian Ochoa Series. The youngest of the Permian sediments, the Ochoan- or Lopingian-aged deposits, consists of evaporites, carbonates, and red beds. The Castile Formation is made of cyclic laminae of deepwater gypsum/anhydrite beds interlaminated with calcite and organics. This basin-occurring unit can be up to 1,800 ft thick. The Castile evaporites were followed by the Salado Formation (~1,500 ft thick). The Salado Formation is a shallow water evaporite deposit, when compared to the Castile Formation, and consists of halite, sylvite, anhydrite, gypsum, and numerous potash/bittern minerals. Salado deposits fill the basin and lap onto the older Permian shelf deposits. The Rustler Formation (up to 500 ft, Nance, 2020) consists of gypsum/anhydrite, a few magnesitic and dolomitic limestone horizons, and red beds. These are mostly shallow marginal marine deposits and represents the last Permian marine deposits in the Delaware Basin. The Ochoan evaporitic units are superb seals (usually <1% porosity and <0.01 mD permeability) and are the reason that the Permian Basin is such a hydrocarbon-rich region despite its less than promising total organic carbon (TOC) content.

INJECTION ZONE

Permian Guadalupe Series. Sediments in the underlying Delaware Mountain Group (descending, Bell Canyon, Cherry Canyon, and Brushy Canyon formations) are marine units that represent deposition controlled by eustacy and tectonics. Lowstand deposits are associated with submarine canyons that incised the carbonate platform margin surrounding the Delaware basin. Depositional environments consist of turbidite channels, splays, and levee/overbank deposits (**Figure 3.2-8**).

Additionally, debris flows formed by the failure of the carbonate margin and density currents also make up basin sediments. Isolated coarse-grained to boulder-sized carbonate debris flows and grain falls within the lowstand clastic sediments likely resulted from erosion and failure of the shelf margin during sea-level lowstands or slope failure to tectonic activity (earthquakes). Density current deposits resulted from stratified basin waters. The basal waters were likely stratified and so dense that turbidity flows containing sands, silts and clays were unable to displace those bottom waters and instead flowed out over the density interface (**Figure 3.2-9**). Eventually, the entrained sediments would settle out in a constant rain of sediment forming laminated deposits with little evidence of traction (bottom flowing) deposition.

Interbedded with the very thick lowstand sequences are thin, deep-water limestones and mudstones that represent highstand deposition. These deposits are thickest around the edge (toe-of-slope) of the basin and thin to the basin center (**Figure 3.2-10**). The limestones are dark, finely crystalline, radiolarian-rich micrites to biomicrites. These highstand deposits are a combination of suspension and pelagic sediments that also thin towards the basin center. These relatively thin units are time equivalent to the massive highstand carbonate deposits on the shelf.

Figure 3.2-8: A diagram of typical Delaware Mountain Group basinal siliciclastic deposition patterns (from Nance, 2020). The channel and splay sandstones have the best porosity, but some of the siltstones also have potential as injection zones.

Figure 3.2-9: Harms' (1974) density overflow model explains the deposition of laminated siliciclastic sediments in the Delaware Basin. Low density sand-bearing fluids flow over the top of dense, saline brines at the bottom of the basin. The sands gradually drop out as the flow loses velocity creating uniform, finely laminated deposits (from Scholle et al., 2007).

Figure 3.2-10: The impact of sea-level fluctuations (also known as reciprocal sedimentation) on the depositional systems within the Delaware Basin. A) A diagrammatic representation of sea-level variations impact on deposition. B) Model showing basin-wide depositional patterns during lowstand and highstand periods (from Scholle et al., 2007).

> The top of the Guadalupian Series is the Lamar Limestone, which is the source of hydrocarbons found in underlying Delaware Sand (an upper member of the Bell Canyon Formation). The Bell Canyon Formation is roughly 1,000 ft thick in the Red Hills area and contains numerous turbidite input points around the basin margin (**Figures 3.2-10, 3.2-11**). During Bell Canyon deposition, the relative importance of discrete sand sources varied (Giesen and Scholle, 1990), creating a network of channel and levee deposits that also varied in their size and position within the basin. Based on well log analyses, the Bell Canyon 2 and 3 had the thickest sand deposits.

Figure 3.2-11: These maps of Bell Canyon Formation were created by measuring sandstone thicknesses on well logs in four regionally correlatable intervals (from Giesen and Scholle, 1990 and unpublished *thesis research). The red circle on the last map surrounds the Red Hills area.*

Like the Bell Canyon and Brushy Canyon formations, the Cherry Canyon Formation is approximately 1,300 ft thick and contains numerous turbidite source points. Unlike the Bell Canyon and Brushy Canyon deposits, the channel deposits are not as large (Giesen and Scholle, 1990), and the source of the sands appears to be dominantly from the eastern margin (**Figure 3.2-12**). Cherry Canyon 1 and 5 have the best channel development and the thickest sands. Overall, the Cherry Canyon Formation, on outcrop, is less influenced by traction current deposition than the rest of the Delaware Mountain Group deposits and is more influenced by sedimentation by density overflow currents (**Figure 3.2-9**). The Brushy Canyon has notably more discrete channel deposits and coarser sands than the Cherry Canyon and Bell Canyon. The Brushy Canyon Formation is approximately 1,500 ft thick.

Figure 3.2-12: These maps of Cherry Canyon Formation were created by measuring sandstone thicknesses on well logs in five regionally correlatable intervals (from Giesen and Scholle, 1990 and unpublished *thesis research). Unlike the Bell Canyon sandstones, the Cherry Canyon sands are thinner and contain fewer channels. The red circle on the last map surrounds the Red Hills area.*

> Within the Delaware Mountain Group in the Red Hills area, the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon have better porosity (averaging 15 – 25 % within channel/splay sandstones) and permeability (averaging 2-13 mD) than the Brushy Canyon (~14% porosity, an <3 mD; Ge et al, 2022, Smye et al., 2021).

UNDERLYING CONFINING ZONE

Permian Leonard Series. The Leonardian/Cisuralian Series, located beneath the Guadalupian Series sediments, is represented by >3,000 ft of basin-deposited carbonate and siliciclastic sediments of the Bone Spring Formation. The Bone Spring Formation is more carbonate rich than the Delaware Mountain Group deposits, but the sea-level-driven cycles of sedimentation and the associated depositional environments are similar with debris flows, turbidites, and pelagic carbonate sediments. The Bone Spring Formation contains both conventional and unconventional fields within the Delaware Basin in both sandstone-rich and carbonate-rich facies. Most of these plays occur within toe-of-slope carbonate and siliciclastic deposits or the turbidite facies in the deeper sections of the basin (Nance and Hamlin, 2020). The upper most Bone Spring is usually dense carbonate mudstone with limited porosity and low porosity.

3.2.3 Faulting

In this immediate area of the Permian Basin, faulting is primarily confined to the lower Paleozoic section, where seismic data shows major faulting and ancillary fracturing-affected rocks only as high up as the base of the lower Wolfcamp strata (**Figures 3.2-6 and 5.6-1**). Faults that have been identified in the area are normal faults associated with Ouachita related movement along the western margin of the Central Platform to the east of the RH AGI facilities. The closest identified fault lies approximately 1.5 miles east of the Red Hills facilities and has approximately 1,000 ft of down-to-the-west structural relief. Because these faults are confined to the lower Paleozoic unit well below the injection zone for the RH AGI wells, they will not be discussed further (Horne et al., 2021). Within the area of the Red Hills site, no shallow faults within the Delaware Mountain Group have been identified by seismic data interpretation nor as reported by Horne et al., 2022).

3.3 Lithologic and Reservoir Characteristics

Based on the geologic analyses of the subsurface at the Red Hills Gas Plant, the uppermost portion of the Cherry Canyon Formation was chosen for acid gas injection and $CO₂$ sequestration for RH AGI #1 and the uppermost Delaware Mountain Group (the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon Formations) for RH AGI #3.

In the Red Hills area, the thickest sand within the Delaware Mountain Group is a sandstone within the Bell Canyon Formation that is informally and locally referred to as the Delaware Sand. The Delaware sand is productive, but it is not locally.

For RH AGI #1, this injection interval includes five high porosity sandstone units (sometimes referred to as the Manzanita) and has excellent caps above, below and between the individual sandstone units. There is no local production in the overlying Delaware Sands pool and there are no structural features or faults that would serve as potential vertical conduits. The high net porosity of the RH AGI #1 injection zone indicates that the injected H_2S and CO_2 will be easily contained close to the injection well.

For RH AGI #3, the injection interval has been expanded to include high porosity sandstones present within the Bell Canyon Formation in RH AGI #3 as well as the five high porosity zones in the Cherry Canyon Formation. Most of the sand bodies in the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon formations are surrounded by shales or limestones, forming caps for the injection zones. There are no structural features or faults that would serve as potential vertical conduits, and the overlying Ochoan evaporites form an excellent overall seal for the system. Even if undetected faulting existed, the evaporites (Castile and Salado) would self-seal and prevent vertical migration out of the Delaware Mountain Group.

3D seismic data, as well as geophysical logs for all wells penetrating the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon formations within a three-mile radius of the RH AGI wells were reviewed. There are no faults visible within the Delaware Mountain Group in the Red Hills area. Within the seismic review area, the units dip gently to the southeast with approximately 200 ft of relief across the area. Heterogeneities within both the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon sandstones, such as turbidite and debris flow channels, will exert a significant control over the porosity and permeability within the two units and fluid migration within those sandstones. In addition, these channels are frequently separated by low porosity and permeability siltstones and shales (**Figure 3.2-8**) as well as being encased by them. Based on regional studies (Giesen and Scholle, 1990 and **Figures 3.2-11, 3.2-12**), the preferred orientation of the channels, and hence the preferred fluid migration pathways, are roughly from the east to the west.

Porosity was evaluated using geophysical logs from nearby wells penetrating the Cherry Canyon Formation. **Figure 3.3-1** shows the Resistivity (Res) and Thermal Neutron Porosity (TNPH) logs from 5,050 ft to 6,650 ft and includes the injection interval. Five clean sands (>10% porosity and <60 API gamma units) are targets for injection within the Cherry Canyon formation and potentially another 5 sands with >10% porosity and <60 API gamma units were identified. Ten percent was the minimum cut-off considered for adequate porosity

for injection. The sand units are separated by lime mudstone and shale beds with lateral continuity. The high porosity sand units exhibit an average porosity of about 18.9%; taken over the average thickness of the clean sand units within $\frac{1}{2}$ mile of the RH AGI #1. There is an average of 177 ft with an irreducible water (S_{wir}) of 0.54 (see Table 1 of the RH AGI #1 permit application). Many of the sands are very porous (average porosity of > 22%) and it is anticipated that for these more porous sands, the S_{wir} may be too high. The effective porosity (Total Porosity – Clay Bound Water) would therefore also be higher. As a result, the estimated porosity ft (PhiH) of approximately 15.4 porosity-ft should be considered to be a minimum. The overlying Bell Canyon Formation has 900 ft of sands and intervening tight limestones, shales, and calcitic siltstones with porosities as low as 4%, but as mentioned above, there are at least 5 zones with a total thickness of approximately 460 ft and containing 18 to 20% porosity. The injection interval is located more than 2,650 ft above the Bone Spring Formation, which is the next production zone in the area.

Figure 3.3-1: Geophysical logs from the Bell Canyon and the Upper Cherry Canyon from the Government L Com #002 well, located 0.38 miles from the RH AGI #1 Well. The blue intervals are Bell Canyon porosity zones, and the yellow intervals are Cherry Canyon porosity zones.

3.4 Formation Fluid Chemistry

A chemical analysis (**Table 3.4-1**) of water from Federal 30 Well No. 2 (API 30-025-29069), approximately 3.9 miles away, indicates that the formation waters are highly saline (180,000 ppm NaCl) and compatible with the injection.

Table 3.4-1: Formation fluid analysis for Cherry Canyon Formation from Federal 30 Well No. 2

Table extracted from C-108 Application to Inject by Ray Westall Associates with SWD-1067 – API 30-025- 24676. Water analysis for formation water from Federal 30 #2 Well (API 30-025-29069), depth 7,335- 7,345 ft, located 3.9 miles from RH AGI #1 well.

3.5 Groundwater Hydrology in the Vicinity of the Red Hills Gas Plant

Based on the New Mexico Water Rights Database from the New Mexico Office of the State Engineer, there are 15 freshwater wells located within a two-mile radius of the RH AGI wells, and only 2 water wells within one mile; the closest water well is located 0.31 miles away and has a total depth of 650 ft (**Figure 3.5-1; Appendix 3**). All water wells within the two-mile radius are shallow, collecting water from about 60 to 650 ft depth, in Alluvium and the Triassic redbeds. The shallow freshwater aquifer is protected by the surface and intermediate casings and cements in the RH AGI wells (**Figures Appendix 1-1 and Appendix 1.2**). While the casings and cements protect shallow freshwater aquifers, they also serve to prevent CO₂ leakage to the surface along the borehole.

Figure 3.5-1: Reported Water Wells within the MMA for the RH AGI Wells.

3.6 Historical Operations

3.6.1 Red Hills Site

On July 20, 2010, Agave Energy Company (Agave) filed an application with NMOCD to inject treated acid gas into an acid gas injection well. Agave built the Red Hills Gas Processing Plant and drilled RH AGI #1 in 2012- 13. However, the well was never completed and never put into service because the plant was processing only sweet gas (no H2S). Lucid purchased the plant from Agave in 2016 and completed the RH AGI #1 well. TND acquired Lucid's Red Hills assets in 2022. **Figure 3.6-1** shows the location of fixed H2S and lower explosive limit (LEL) detectors in the immediate vicinity of the RH AGI wells. **Figure 3.6-2** shows a process block flow diagram.

Figure 3.6-1: Diagram showing the location of fixed H2S and lower explosive limit (LEL) detectors in the immediate vicinity of the RH AGI wells. RH AGI #2 is temporarily abandoned.

Figure 3.6-2: Process Block Flow Diagram. RH AGI #2 is temporarily abandoned. M1 – M6: volumetric flow meters; C1 and C2: compressors; ST1 and ST2: sour treaters; and Sample Points (SP) for biweekly collection of data for determining the TAG stream concentration.

3.6.2 Operations within the MMA for the RH AGI Wells

NMOCD records identify a total of 22 oil- and gas-related wells within the MMA for the RH AGI wells (see **Appendix 4**). **Figure 3.6-3** shows the geometry of producing and injection wells within the MMA for the RH AGI wells. **Appendix 4** summarizes the relevant information for those wells. All active production in this area is targeted for the Bone Spring and Wolfcamp zones, at depths of 8,900 to 11,800 ft, the Strawn (11,800 to 12,100 ft) and the Morrow (12,700 to 13,500 ft). All of these productive zones lie at more than 2,000 ft below the RH AGI #1 and AGI #3 injection zone.

Figure 3.6-3: Location of all oil- and gas-related wells within the MMA for the RH AGI wells. Both the surface hole locations (SHL) and bottom hole locations (BHL) are labeled on the figure. For clarity, only the last five digits of the API numbers are used in labeling the wells.

3.7 Description of Injection Process

The Red Hills Gas Plant, including RH AGI #1 and RH AGI #3, is in operation and staffed 24-hours-a-day, 7-days-a week. The plant operations include gas compression, treating and processing. The plant gathers and processes produced natural gas from Lea and Eddy Counties in New Mexico. Once gathered at the plant, the produced natural gas is compressed, dehydrated to remove the water content, and processed to remove and recover natural gas liquids. The processed natural gas and recovered natural gas liquids are then sold and shipped to various customers. The inlet gathering lines and pipelines that bring gas into the plant are regulated by U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), National Association of Corrosion Engineers (NACE) and other applicable standards which require that they be constructed and marked with appropriate warning signs along their respective rights-of-way. TAG from the plant's sweeteners will be routed to a central compressor facility, located west of the well head. Compressed TAG is then routed to the wells via high-pressure rated lines. **Figure 3.7-1** is a schematic of the AGI facilities.

The approximate composition of the TAG stream is: 80% CO₂, 20% H₂S, with trace components of C₁ – C₆ (methane – hexane) and Nitrogen. The anticipated duration of injection is 30 years.

3.8 Reservoir Characterization Modeling

The modeling and simulation focused on the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon Formations as the main injection target zone for acid gas storage. RH AGI #1 (API 30-025-40448) and RH AGI #3 (API 30-025-51970) are the approved injectors for treated acid gas injection by NMOCD and will serve as the injection wells in the model under the approved disposal timeframe and maximum allowable injection pressure. RH AGI #1 is completed in the Cherry Canyon Formation between 6,230 feet to 6,583 feet (MD). RH AGI #3 is completed in both the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon Formations between approximately 5,700 feet to 7,600 feet (MD).

Schlumberger's Petrel® (Version 2023.1) software was used to construct the geological models used in this work. Computer Modeling Group (CMG)'s CMG-GEM® (Version 2023.10) was used in the reservoir simulations presented in this MRV plan. CMG-WINPROP® (Version 2023.10) was used to perform PVT calculation through Equation of States and properties interactions among various compositions to feed the hydrodynamic modeling performed by CMG-GEM®. The hydrodynamical model considered aqueous, gaseous, and supercritical phases, and simulates the storage mechanisms including structural trapping, residual gas trapping, and solubility trapping. Injected TAG may exist in the aqueous phase in a dissolved state and the gaseous phase in a supercritical state. The model was validated through matching the historical injection data of RH AGI #1 and will be reevaluated periodically as required by the State permitting agency.

The static model is constructed with well tops and licensed 3D seismic data to interpret and delineate the structural surfaces of a layer within the caprock (Lamar Limestone) and its overlaying, underlying formations. The geologic model covers a 3.5-mile by 3.3-mile area. No distinctive geological structures such as faults have been identified within the geologic model boundary. The model is gridded with 182 x 167 x 18, totaling 547,092 cells. The average grid dimension of the active injection area is 100 square feet. **Figure 3.8-1** shows the simulation model in 3D view. The porosity and permeability of the model is populated through existing well logs. The range of the porosity is between 0.01 to 0.31. The initial permeability are interpolated between 0.02 to 155 millidarcy (mD), and the vertical permeability anisotropy was 0.1. **(Figure 3.8-2 and Figure 3.8-3)**. These values are validated and calibrated with the historical injection data of RH AGI #1 since 2018 as shown in **Figures 3.8-4, 3.8-5, and 3.8-6**.

The simulation model is calibrated with the injection history of RH AGI #1 since 2018. Simulation studies were further performed to estimate the reservoir responses when predicting TAG injection for 30 years through both RH AGI #1 (2018 – 2048) and RH AGI #3 (2024 - 2054). RH AGI #2 is temporarily abandoned as of the submission of this document. RH AGI #1 is simulated to inject with the average rate of the last 5 years, 1.2 MMSCF, in the prediction phase. RH AGI #3 is simulated to inject with permitted injection rate, 13 MMSCF, with 1,767 psi maximum surface injection pressure constraint approved by State agency. The simulation terminated in the year 2084, 30 years after the termination of all injection activities, to estimate the maximum impacted area during post injection phase.

During the calibration period (2018 – 2023), the historical injection rates were used as the primary injection control, and the maximum bottom hole pressures (BHP) are imposed on wells as the constraint, calculated based on the approved maximum injection pressure. This restriction is also estimated to be less than 90% of the formation fracture pressure calculated at the shallowest perforation depth of each well to ensure safe injection operations. The reservoir properties are tuned to match the historical injection until it was reasonably matched. **Figure 3.8-4** shows that the historical injection rates from RH AGI #1 in the Cherry Canyon Formation. **Figure 3.8-5** shows the BHP response of RH AGI #1 during the history matching phase.

During the forecasting period, linear cumulative injection behavior indicates that the Cherry Canyon and Bell Canyon Formations received the TAG stream freely. **Figure 3.8-6** shows the cumulative disposed H₂S and CO₂ of each RH AGI injector separately in gas mass. The modeling results indicate that the Cherry Canyon and Bell Canyon Formations are capable of safely storing and containing the gas volume without violating the permitted rate and pressure. **Figure 3.8-7** shows the gas saturation represented TAG plume at the end of 30-year forecasting in 3D

view. **Figure 3.8-8** shows the extent of the plume migration in a map view at 4 key time steps. It can be observed that the size of the TAG plume is very limited and mainly stayed within Targa's Red Hills facility boundary at the end of injection. In the year 2084, after 30 years of monitoring, the injected gas remained trapped in the reservoir and there was no significant change in the observed TAG footprint as compared to that at the end of injection.

In summary, after careful reservoir engineering review and numerical simulation study, our analysis shows that the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon Formations can receive treated acid gas (TAG) at the injection rate and permitted maximum surface injection pressure permitted by NMOCC. The injection formations will safely contain the injected TAG volume within the injection and post-injection timeframe. The injection wells will allow for sequestration while preventing associated environmental impacts.

Figure 3.8-1: 3D view of the simulation model of RH AGI #1 and RH AGI #3, containing Salado-Castile Formation, Lamar Limestone, Bell Canyon Formation, and Cherry Canyon Formation. Color legends represents the elevation of layers.

Figure 3.8-2: Porosity estimation using available well data for the simulation domain.

Figure 3.8-3: Permeability estimation using available well data for simulation domain.

Figure 3.8-4: The historical injection rate and total gas injected from RH AGI #1 (2018 to 2023).

Figure 3.8-5: The historical bottom hole pressure response from RH AGI #1 (2018 to 2023)

Figure 3.8-6: Prediction of cumulative mass of injected CO2 and H2S for RH AGI #1 and RH AGI #3 (2018 to 2054).

Figure 3.8-7: Simulation model depicting the free phase TAG (represented by gas saturation) at the end of the 30-year post-injection monitoring period (2054) in 3D view.

Figure 3.8-8: Map view depicting the free phase TAG plume at years 2030, 2035, 2045, 2055 (1-year post injection).

4 Delineation of the Monitoring Areas

In determining the monitoring areas below, the extent of the TAG plume is equal to the superposition of plumes in any layer for any of the model scenarios described in Section 3.8.

4.1 MMA – Maximum Monitoring Area

As defined in Subpart RR, the maximum monitoring area (MMA) is equal to or greater than the area expected to contain the free phase CO_2 plume until the CO_2 plume has stabilized plus an all-around buffer zone of at least onehalf mile. **Figures 4.1-1** shows the MMA as defined by the extent of the stabilized TAG plume at year 2059 plus a 1/2-mile buffer.

4.2 AMA – Active Monitoring Area

The Active Monitoring Area (AMA) is shown in **Figure 4.1-1**. The AMA is consistent with the requirements in 40 CFR 98.449 because it is the area projected: (1) to contain the free phase $CO₂$ plume for the duration of the project (year t, t = 2054), plus an all-around buffer zone of one-half mile. (2) to contain the free phase $CO₂$ plume for at least 5 years after injection ceases (year $t + 5$, $t + 5 = 2059$). Targa intends to define the active monitoring area (AMA) as the same area as the MMA. The purple cross-hatched polygon in **Figure 4.1-1** is the plume extent at the end of injection. The yellow polygon in **Figure 4.1-1** is the stabilized plume extent 5 years after injection ceases. The AMA/MMA shown as the red-filled polygon contains the $CO₂$ plume during the duration of the project and at the time the plume has stabilized.

Figure 4.1-1: Active monitoring area (AMA) for RH AGI #1, RH AGI #2 (temporarily abandoned) and RH AGI #3 at the end of injection (2054, purple polygon) and 5 years post-monitoring (2059, yellow polygon). Maximum monitoring area (MMA) is shown in red shaded area.

5 Identification and Evaluation of Potential Leakage Pathways to the Surface

Subpart RR at 40 CFR 448(a)(2) requires the identification of potential surface leakage pathways for $CO₂$ in the MMA and the evaluation of the likelihood, magnitude, and timing of surface leakage of $CO₂$ through these pathways.

Through the site characterization required by the NMOCD C-108 application process for Class II injection wells, the geologic characterization presented in Section 3, and the reservoir modeling described in Section 3.8, TND has identified and evaluated the potential $CO₂$ leakage pathways to the surface.

A qualitative evaluation of each of the potential leakage pathways is described in the following paragraphs. Risk estimates were made utilizing the National Risk Assessment Partnership (NRAP) tool, developed by five national laboratories: NETL, Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL), Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL), Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL), and Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL). The NRAP collaborative research effort leveraged broad technical capabilities across the Department of Energy (DOE) to develop the integrated science base, computational tools, and protocols required to assess and manage environmental risks at geologic carbon storage sites. Utilizing the NRAP tool, TND conducted a risk assessment of $CO₂$ leakage through various potential pathways including surface equipment, existing and approved wellbores within MMA, faults and fractures, and confining zone formations.

5.1 Potential Leakage from Surface Equipment

Due to the corrosive nature of $CO₂$ and H₂S, there is a potential for leakage from surface equipment at sour gas facilities. Preventative risk mitigation includes adherence to relevant regulatory requirements and industry standards governing the construction, operation, and maintenance of gas plants. Specifically, NMAC 19.15.26.10 requires injection well operators to operate and maintain "surface facilities in such a manner as will confine the injected fluids to the interval or intervals approved and prevent surface damage or pollution resulting from leaks, breaks or spills."

Operational risk mitigation measures relevant to potential $CO₂$ emissions from surface equipment include a schedule for regular inspection and maintenance of surface equipment. Additionally, TND implements several methods for detecting gas leaks at the surface. Detection is followed up by immediate response. These methods are described in more detail in sections 6 and 7.

Although mitigative measures are in place to minimize $CO₂$ emissions from surface equipment, such emissions are possible. Any leaks from surface equipment would result in immediate (timing) emissions of $CO₂$ to the atmosphere the magnitude of which would depend on the duration of the leak and the operational conditions at the time and location of the leak.

The injection wells and the pipeline that carries $CO₂$ to them are the most likely surface components of the system to allow $CO₂$ to leak to the surface. The accumulation of wear and tear on the surface components, especially at the flanged connection points, is the most probable source of the leakage. Another possible source of leakage is the release of air through relief valves, which are designed to alleviate pipeline overpressure. Leakage can also occur when the surface components are damaged by an accident or natural disaster, which releases CO₂. Therefore, TND infers that there is a potential for leakage via this route. Depending on the component's failure mode, the magnitude of the leak can vary greatly. For example, a rapid break or rupture could release thousands of pounds of $CO₂$ into the atmosphere almost instantly, while a slowly deteriorating seal at a flanged connection could release only a few pounds of CO₂ over several hours or days. Surface component leakage or venting is only a concern during the injection operation phase. Once the injection phase is complete, the surface components will no longer be able to store or transport $CO₂$, eliminating any potential risk of leakage.

5.2 Potential Leakage from Approved, Not Yet Drilled Wells

The only wells within the MMA that are approved but not yet drilled are horizontal wells. These wells have a Well Status of "permitted" in **Appendix 4**. There are no vertical wells within the MMA with a Well Status of "permitted".

5.2.1 Horizontal Wells

The table in **Appendix 3** and **Figure 4.1-1** shows a number of horizontal wells in the area, many of which have approved permits to drill but which are not yet drilled. If any of these wells are drilled through the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon injection zones for RH AGI #3 and RH AGI #1, they will be required to take special precautions to prevent leakage of TAG minimizing the likelihood of $CO₂$ leakage to the surface. This requirement will be made by NMOCD in regulating applications for permit to drill (APD) and in ensuring that the operator and driller are aware that they are drilling through an H_2S injection zone in order to access their target production formation. NMAC 19.15.11 for Hydrogen Sulfide Gas includes standards for personnel and equipment safety and H₂S detection and monitoring during well drilling, completion, well workovers, and well servicing operations all of which apply for wells drilled through the RH AGI wells TAG plume.

Due to the safeguards described above, the fact there are no proposed wells for which the surface hole location (SHL) lies within the simulated TAG plume and, considering the NRAP risk analysis described here in Section 5, TND considers the likelihood of $CO₂$ emissions to the surface via these horizontal wells to be highly unlikely.

5.3 Potential Leakage from Existing Wells

Existing oil and gas wells within the MMA as delineated in Section 4 are shown in **Figure 3.6-3** and detailed in **Appendix 4**.

TND considered all wells completed and approved within the MMA in the NRAP risk assessment. Some of these wells penetrate the injection and/or confining zones while others do not. Even though the risk of $CO₂$ leakage through the wells that did not penetrate confining zones is highly unlikely, TND did not omit any potential source of leakage in the NRAP analysis. If leakage through wellbores happens, the worst-case scenario is predicted using the NRAP tool to quantitatively assess the amount of $CO₂$ leakage through existing and approved wellbores within the MMA. Thirty-nine existing and approved wells inside MMA were addressed in the NRAP analysis. The reservoir properties, well data, formation stratigraphy, and MMA area were incorporated into the NRAP tool to forecast the rate and mass of $CO₂$ leakage. The worst scenario is that all of the 39 wells were located right at the source of $CO₂$ – the injection wells' location. In this case, the maximum leakage rate of one well is approximately 7e-6 kg/s. This value is the maximum amount of $CO₂$ leakage, 220 kg/year, and occurs in the second year of injection, then gradually reduces to 180 kg at the end of year 30. Comparing the total amount of $CO₂$ injected (assuming 5 MMSCFD of supercritical $CO₂$ injected continuously for 30 years), the leakage mass amounts to 0.0054% of the total $CO₂$ injected. This leakage is considered negligible. Also, this worst-case scenario, where 39 wells are located right at the injection point, is impossible in reality. Therefore, CO₂ leakage to the surface via this potential leakage pathway can be considered improbable.

5.3.1 Wells Completed in the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon Formations

The only wells completed in the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon Formations within the MMA are RH AGI #1, RH AGI #2 (drilling stopped in the Bell Canyon), and RH AGI #3 and the 30-025-08371 well which was completed at a depth of 5,425 ft. This well is within the Red Hills facility boundary and is plugged and abandoned (see **Appendix 9** for plugging and abandonment (P&A) record).

Appendix 1 includes schematics of the RH AGI #1, RH AGI #2,and RH AGI #3 wells' construction showing multiple strings of casing all cemented to surface. Injection of TAG into RH AGI #1 and RH AGI #3 occurs through tubing with a permanent production packer set above the injection zone.

RH AGI #2 is located in close proximity to RH AGI #1 and is temporarily abandoned. Drilling of this well stopped at 6,205 ft due to concerns about high pressures by drilling into the Cherry Canyon Formation and therefore, did not penetrate the Cherry Canyon Formation. The cement plug was tagged at 5,960 feet which is above the injection zone for RH AGI #1 (see **Figure Appendix 1-3**).

Due to the robust construction of the RH AGI wells, the plugging of the well 30-025-08371 above the Bell Canyon, the plugging of RH AGI #2 above the Cherry Canyon Formation, and considering the NRAP analysis described above, TND considers that, while the likelihood of $CO₂$ emission to the surface via this potential leakage pathway is possible to improbable, the magnitude of such a leak to be minimal.

5.3.2 Wells Completed in the Bone Spring / Wolfcamp Zones

Several wells are completed in the Bone Spring and Wolfcamp oil and gas production zones as described in Section 3.6.2. These productive zones lie more than 2,000 ft below the RH AGI wells injection zone minimizing the likelihood of communication between the RH AGI well injection zones and the Bone Spring / Wolfcamp production zones. Construction of these wells includes surface casing set at 1,375 ft and cemented to surface and intermediate casing set at the top of the Bell Canyon at depths of from 5,100 to 5,200 ft and cemented through the Permian Ochoan evaporites, limestone and siltstone (**Figure 3.2-2**) providing zonal isolation preventing TAG injected into the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon formations through the RH AGI wells from leaking upward along the borehole in the event the TAG plume were to reach these wellbores. **Figure 4.1-1** shows that the modeled TAG plume extent after 30 years of injection and 5 years of post-injection stabilization does not extend to well boreholes completed in the Bone Spring / Wolfcamp production zones thereby indicating that these wells are not likely to be pathways for $CO₂$ leakage to the surface.

Due to the construction of these wells, the fact that the modeled TAG plume does not reach the SHL of these wells and considering the NRAP analysis described in the introductory paragraph of Section 5, TND considers that, while the likelihood of $CO₂$ emission to the surface via this potential leakage pathway is possible to improbable, the magnitude of such a leak to be minimal.

5.3.3 Wells Completed in the Siluro-Devonian Zone

One well penetrated the Devonian at the boundary of the MMA - EOG Resources, Government Com 001, API # 30-025-25604, TVD = 17,625 ft, 0.87 miles from RH AGI #3. This well was drilled to a total depth of 17,625 ft on March 5, 1978, but plugged back to 14,590 ft, just below the Morrow, in May of 1978. Subsequently, this well was permanently plugged and abandoned on December 30, 2004, and approved by NMOCD on January 4, 2005 (see **Appendix 9** for P&A records). The approved plugging provides zonal isolation for the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon injection zones minimizing the likelihood that this well will be a pathway for $CO₂$ emissions to the surface from either injection zone.

Due to the location of this well at the edge of the MMA and considering the NRAP analysis described in the introductory paragraph of Section 5, TND considers that, while the likelihood of $CO₂$ emission to the surface via this potential leakage pathway is possible to improbable, the magnitude of such a leak to be minimal.

5.3.4 Groundwater Wells

The table in Appendix 3 lists 15 water wells within a 2-mile radius of the RH AGI wells, only 2 of which are within a 1-mile radius of and within the MMA for the RH AGI wells (**Figure 3.5-1**). The deepest ground water well is 650 ft deep. The evaporite sequence of the Permian Ochoan Salado and Castile Formations (see

Section 3.2.2) provides an excellent seal between these groundwater wells and the Bell and Cherry Canyon injection zones of RH AGI #1and RH AGI #3. Therefore, it is unlikely that these two groundwater wells are a potential pathway of $CO₂$ leakage to the surface. Nevertheless, the $CO₂$ surface monitoring and groundwater monitoring described in Sections 6 and 7 will provide early detection of CO₂ leakage followed by immediate response thereby minimizing the magnitude of $CO₂$ leakage volume via this potential pathway.

Due to the shallow depth of the groundwater wells within the MMA relative to the depth of the RH AGI wells and considering the NRAP analysis described in the introductory paragraph in Section 5, TND considers that, while the likelihood of $CO₂$ emissions to the surface via this potential leakage pathway is possible to improbable, the magnitude of such a leak to be minimal.

5.4 Potential Leakage through the Confining / Seal System

The site characterization for the injection zone of the RH AGI wells described in Sections 3.2.2 and 3.3 indicates a thick sequence of Permian Ochoan evaporites, limestone, and siltstones (**Figure 3.2-2**) above the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon Formations and no evidence of faulting. Therefore, it is unlikely that TAG injected into the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon Formations will leak through this confining zone to the surface. Limiting the injection pressure to less than the fracture pressure of the confining zone will minimize the likelihood of $CO₂$ leakage through this potential pathway to the surface.

Leakage through a confining zone happens in low-permeability shale formations containing natural fractures. The injection zone for RH AGI #1 and RH AGI #3 is the Delaware Mountain Group Formation (Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon), which underlie the very much lower permeability (<0.01 mD) Castile and Salado Formations that provide excellent seals. Still, TND took leakage through confining zones into consideration in the NRAP risk assessment. The worst-case scenario is defined as leakage through the seal happening right above the injection wells, where $CO₂$ saturation is highest. However, this worst-case scenario of leakage only shows that 0.0017% of total $CO₂$ injection in 30 years was leaked from the injection zone through the seals. As we go further from the source of $CO₂$, the likelihood of such an event will diminish proportionally with the distance from the source. Considering that this is the greatest amount of $CO₂$ leakage in this worst-case scenario, if the event happens, the leak must pass upward through the confining zone, the secondary confining strata that consists of additional low permeability geologic units, and other geologic units, TND concludes that the risk of leakage through this pathway is highly unlikely.

5.5 Potential Leakage due to Lateral Migration

The characterization of the sand layers in the Cherry Canyon Formation described in Section 3.3 states that these sands were deposited by turbidites in channels in submarine fan complexes; each sand is encased in low porosity and permeability fine-grained siliciclastics and mudstones with lateral continuity. Regional consideration of their depositional environment suggests a preferred orientation for fluid and gas flow would be south-to-north along the channel axis. However, locally the high net porosity of the RH AGI #1 and RH AGI #3 injection zones indicates adequate storage capacity such that the injected TAG will be easily contained close to the injection well, thus minimizing the likelihood of lateral migration of TAG outside the MMA due to a preferred regional depositional orientation.

Lateral migration of the injected TAG was addressed in detail in Section 3.3. Therein it states that the units dip gently to the southeast with approximately 200 ft of relief across the area. Heterogeneities within both the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon sandstones, such as turbidite and debris flow channels, will exert a significant control over the porosity and permeability within the two units and fluid migration within those sandstones. In addition, these channels are frequently separated by low porosity and permeability siltstones and shales as well as being encased by them.

Based on the discussion of the channeled sands in the injection zone, TND considers that the likelihood of $CO₂$ to migrate laterally along the channel axes is possible. However, the facts that the turbidite sands are encased in low porosity and permeability fine-grained siliciclastics and mudstones with lateral continuity and that the injectate is projected to be contained within the injection zone close to the injection wells minimizes the likelihood that $CO₂$ will migrate to a potential conduit to the surface.

5.6 Potential Leakage through Fractures and Faults

Prior to injection, a thorough geological characterization of the injection zone and surrounding formations was performed (see Section 3) to understand the geology as well as identify and understand the distribution of faults and fractures. **Figure 5.6-1** shows the fault traces in the vicinity of the Red Hills plant. The faults shown on **Figure 5.6-1** are confined to the Paleozoic section below the injection zone for the RH AGI wells. No faults were identified in the confining zone above the Bell Canyon and Cherry Canyon injection zone for the RH AGI wells.

No faults were identified within the MMA which could potentially serve as conduits for surface $CO₂$ emission. The closest identified fault lies approximately 1.5 miles east of the Red Hills site and has approximately 1,000 ft of down-to-the-west structural relief. Because this fault is confined to the lower Paleozoic unit more than 5,100 feet below the injection zone for the RH AGI wells, there is minimal chance it would be a potential leakage pathway. This inference is supported by the NRAP simulation result. Therefore, TND concludes that the $CO₂$ leakage rate through this fault is zero and that the risk of leakage through this potential leakage pathway is highly improbable.

Figure 5.6-1: New Mexico Tech Seismological Observatory (NMTSO) seismic network close to the operations, recent seismic events, and fault traces (2022-2023). Note: Fault traces are from Horne et al 2021 for deep seated faults in the lower Paleozoic. The fault traces shown close to the Red Hills facility die out at the base of the Wolfcamp formation at a depth of 12,600 feet, more than 5,100 feet below the bottom of the injection zone at 7,500 feet.

- 5.7 Potential Leakage due to Natural / Induced Seismicity The New Mexico Tech Seismological Observatory (NMTSO) monitors seismic activity in the state of New Mexico. A search of the database shows no recent seismic events close to the Red Hills operations. The
	- 7.5 miles, 2022-09-03, Magnitude 3

closest recent, as of 4 September 2023, seismic events are:

- 8 miles, 2022-09-02, Magnitude 2.23
- 8.6 miles, 2022-10-29, Magnitude 2.1

Figure 5.6-1 shows the seismic stations and recent seismic events in the area around the Red Hills facility.

Due to the distance between the RH AGI wells and the recent seismic events, the magnitude of these events, and the fact that TND injects at pressures below fracture opening pressure, TND considers the likelihood of $CO₂$ emissions to the surface caused by seismicity to be improbable.

Monitoring of seismic events in the vicinity of the RH AGI wells is discussed in Section 6.7.

6 Strategy for Detecting and Quantifying Surface Leakage of CO2

Subpart RR at 40 CFR 448(a)(3) requires a strategy for detecting and quantifying surface leakage of CO₂. TND will employ the following strategy for detecting, verifying, and quantifying CO₂ leakage to the surface through the potential pathways for CO₂ surface leakage identified in Section 5. TND considers H₂S to be a proxy for CO₂ leakage to the surface and as such will employ and expand upon methodologies detailed in their H₂S Contingency plan to detect, verify, and quantify CO₂ surface leakage. Table 6-1 summarizes the leakage monitoring of the identified leakage pathways. Monitoring will occur for the duration of injection and the 5-year post-injection period.

Table 6-1: Summary of Leak Detection Monitoring

6.1 Leakage from Surface Equipment

TND implements several tiers of monitoring for surface leakage including frequent periodic visual inspection of surface equipment, use of fixed in-field and personal H₂S sensors, and continual monitoring of operational parameters.

Leaks from surface equipment are detected by TND field personnel, wearing personal H₂S monitors, following daily and weekly inspection protocols which include reporting and responding to any detected leakage events. TND also maintains in-field gas monitors to detect H_2S and CO_2 . The in-field gas monitors are connected to the DCS housed in the onsite control room. If one of the gas detectors sets off an alarm, it would trigger an immediate response to address and characterize the situation.

The following description of the gas detection equipment at the Red Hills Gas Processing Plant was extracted from the H2S Contingency Plan:

"**Fixed Monitors**

The Red Hills Plant has numerous ambient hydrogen sulfide detectors placed strategically throughout the Plant to detect possible leaks. Upon detection of hydrogen sulfide at 10 ppm at any detector, visible beacons are activated, and an alarm is sounded. Upon detection of hydrogen sulfide at 90 ppm at any detector, an evacuation alarm is sounded throughout the Plant at which time all personnel will proceed immediately to a designated evacuation area. The Plant utilizes fixed-point monitors to detect the presence of H_2S in ambient air. The sensors are connected to the Control Room alarm panel's Programmable Logic Controllers (PLCs), and then to the Distributed Control System (DCS). The monitors are equipped with amber beacons. The beacon is activated at 10 ppm. The plant and the RH AGI well horns are activated with a continuous warbling alarm at 10 ppm and a siren at 90 ppm. All monitoring equipment is Red Line brand. The Control Panel is a 24 Channel Monitor Box, and the fixed point H2S Sensor Heads are model number RL-101.

The Plant will be able to monitor concentrations of H_2S via H_2S Analyzers in the following locations:

- Inlet gas of the combined stream from Winkler and Limestone
- Inlet sour liquid downstream of the slug catcher
- Outlet Sweet Gas to Red Hills 1
- Outlet Sweet Liquid to Red Hills Condensate Surge

The RH AGI system monitors can also be viewed on the PLC displays located at the Plant. These sensors are all shown on the plot plan (see **Figure 3.6-1**). This requires immediate action for any occurrence or malfunction. All H₂S sensors are calibrated monthly.

Personal and Handheld H2S Monitors

All personnel working at the Plant wear personal H_2S monitors. The personal monitors are set to alarm and vibrate at 10 ppm. Handheld gas detection monitors are available at strategic locations around the Plant so that plant personnel can check specific areas and equipment prior to initiating maintenance or other work. The handheld gas detectors have sensors for oxygen, LEL (explosive hydrocarbon atmospheres), H_2S and carbon dioxide (CO₂)."

6.2 Leakage from Approved Not Yet Drilled Wells

Special precautions will be taken in the drilling of any new wells that will penetrate the injection zones including more frequent monitoring during drilling operations (see **Table 6-1**). This applies to TND and other operators drilling new wells through the RH AGI wells injection zones within the MMA.

6.3 Leakage from Existing Wells

6.3.1 RH AGI Wells

As part of ongoing operations, TND continuously monitors and collects flow, pressure, temperature, and gas composition data in the data collection system. These data are monitored continuously by qualified technicians who follow response and reporting protocols when the system delivers alerts that data is not within acceptable limits.

To monitor leakage and wellbore integrity, two pressure and temperature gauges as well as Distributed Temperature Sensing (DTS) were deployed in RH AGI #1. One gauge is designated to monitor the tubing ID (reservoir) pressure and temperature and the second gauge monitors the annular space between the tubing and the long string casing (**Figure 6.2-1**). A leak is indicated when both gauges start reading the same pressure. DTS is clamped to the tubing, and it monitors the temperature profiles of the annulus from 6,159 ft to surface. DTS can detect variation in the temperature profile events throughout the tubing and or casing. Temperature variation could be an indicator of leaks. Data from temperature and pressure gauges is recorded by an interrogator housed in an onsite control room. DTS (temperature) data is recorded by a separate interrogator that is also housed in the onsite control room. Data from both interrogators are transmitted to a remote location for daily real time or historical analysis.

As is described above for RH AGI #1, pressure and temperature gauges as well as DTS were deployed in RH AGI #3 (see **Figure Appendix 1-2** for location of PT gauges).

The temporarily abandoned RH AGI #2 well will be monitored by the fixed in-field gas monitors, handheld $H₂S$ monitors, and CO₂ soil flux monitoring described in Sections 7.2 and 7.3.

If operational parameter monitoring, MIT failures, or surface gas monitoring indicate a $CO₂$ leak has occurred, TND will take actions to quantify the leak based on operating conditions at the time of the detection including pressure at the point of emission, flowrate at the point of emission, duration of the emission, and estimation of the size of the emission site.

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	Installation		Sales Rep - Lynn Talley (432) 631-4626 Lea County New Mexico					
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	15	246.30	4.35		15) 3 1/2" NE HES SSSV Nickel Alloy 925 w/Alloy 825 Control Line 3 1/2" 9.2# VAMTOP Box x Pin	5.300	2.813	
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	8	6,162.6 Annular 6.161.23	P/T 7.51		8) 4.00" BWS Landed Seal Asmbly 9.2# VAM TOP Nickel Alloy 925	4.470	2.959	
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	7 ▤	6,164.55	3.32		7) 7" 26-32# x 4.00" BWS Packer Nickel Alloy 925 Casing Collar @ 6,160.6' WL Measurement	5.875	4.000	
	6	6,172.05	7.5		6) 4.00" x 8' PBR Nickel Alloy 925 4 3/4"-8 UN 2A Pin x Pin	5.032	4.000	
	5	6,172.88	0.83		5) 4.00" PBR Adapter x 9.2# VAMTOP BxP Nickel Alloy 925	5.680	2.959	
		6,181.19	8.31		4) 8' x 3 1/2" 9.2# VAMTOP BxP Tbg Sub Nickel Alloy G3	3.540	2.959	
		6,182.52	1.33		3) 2.562" R Nipple 3 1/2" 9.2# VAMTOP Box x Pin Nickel Alloy 925 #102204262	4.073	2.562	
	$\overline{2}$	6,184.29	1.77		2) Straight Slot Locator Seal Assembly Above Top Of Packer	4.450	2.880	
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	1a				1b) 8' x 3 1/2" 9.2# VAMTOP BxP Tbg Sub, 925	3.520	2.989	
					1c) 2.562" R Nipple 3 1/2" 9.2# VAMTOP Box x Pin Nickel,	2.920	2.562	
					1d) 8' x 3 1/2" 9.2# VAMTOP BxP Tbg Sub, 925	3.520	2.989	
	1b				1e) 2.562" RN Nipple 3 1/2" 9.2# VAMTOP Box x Pin Nickel	3.920	2.321	
	1c				1f) Re-Entry Guide / POP	3.950	3.000	
	1d							
	1е							
	1f							

Figure 6.2-1: Well Schematic for RH AGI #1 showing installation of P/T sensors

6.3.2 Other Existing Wells within the MMA

The $CO₂$ monitoring network described in Section 7.3 and well surveillance by other operators of existing wells will provide an indication of $CO₂$ leakage. Additionally, groundwater and soil $CO₂$ flux monitoring locations throughout the MMA will also provide an indication of $CO₂$ leakage to the surface. See Sections 7.7 and 7.8 for details.

6.4 Leakage through the Confining / Seal System

As discussed in Section 5, it is very unlikely that $CO₂$ leakage to the surface will occur through the confining zone. Continuous operational monitoring of the RH AGI wells, described in Sections 6.3 and 7.5, will provide an indicator if $CO₂$ leaks out of the injection zone. Additionally, groundwater and soil flux monitoring locations throughout the MMA will also provide an indication of $CO₂$ leakage to the surface. See Sections 7.7 and 7.8 for details.

If changes in operating parameters or other monitoring listed in Table 6-1 indicate leakage of CO₂ through the confining / seal system, TND will take actions to quantify the amount of $CO₂$ released and take mitigative action to stop it, including shutting in the well(s) (see Section 6.8).

6.5 Leakage due to Lateral Migration

Continuous operational monitoring of the RH AGI wells during and after the period of injection will provide an indication of the movement of the CO₂ plume migration in the injection zones. The CO₂ monitoring network described in Section 7.3, and routine well surveillance will provide an indicator if CO₂ leaks out of the injection zone. Additionally, groundwater and soil flux monitoring locations throughout the MMA will also provide an indication of CO₂ leakage to the surface. See Sections 7.7 and 7.8 for details.

If monitoring of operational parameters or other monitoring methods listed in **Table 6-1** indicates that the $CO₂$ plume extends beyond the area modeled in Section 3.8 and presented in Section 4, TND will reassess the plume migration modeling for evidence that the plume may have intersected a pathway for $CO₂$ release to the surface. As this scenario would be considered a material change per 40CFR98.448(d)(1), TND will submit a revised MRV plan as required by 40CFR98.448(d). See Section 6.8 for additional information on quantification strategies.

6.6 Leakage from Fractures and Faults

As discussed in Section 5, it is very unlikely that $CO₂$ leakage to the surface will occur through faults. However, if monitoring of operational parameters and the fixed in-field gas monitors indicate possible $CO₂$ leakage to the surface, TND will identify which of the pathways listed in this section are responsible for the leak, including the possibility of heretofore unidentified faults or fractures within the MMA. TND will take measures to quantify the mass of $CO₂$ emitted based on the operational conditions that existed at the time of surface emission, including pressure at the point of emission, flowrate at the point of emission, duration of the emission, and estimation of the size of the emission site. Additionally, groundwater and soil flux monitoring locations throughout the MMA will also provide an indication of CO₂ leakage to the surface. See Sections 7.7 and 7.8 for details. See Section 6.8 for additional information on quantification strategies.

6.7 Leakage due to Natural / Induced Seismicity

In order to monitor the influence of natural and/or induced seismicity, TND will use the established NMTSO seismic network. The network consists of seismic monitoring stations that detect and locate seismic events. Continuous monitoring helps differentiate between natural and induced seismicity. The network surrounding the Red Hills Gas Processing Plant has been mapped on **Figure 5.6-1**. The monitoring network records Helicorder data from UTC (coordinated universal time) all day long. The data are plotted daily at

5pm MST (mountain standard time). These plots can be browsed either by station or by day. The data are streamed continuously to the New Mexico Tech campus and archived at the Incorporated Research Institutions for Seismology Data Management Center (IRIS DMC).

If monitoring of the NMTSO seismic monitoring stations, the operational parameters and the fixed infield gas monitors indicates surface leakage of CO₂ linked to seismic events, TND will assess whether the CO₂ originated from the RH AGI wells and, if so, take measures to quantify the mass of $CO₂$ emitted to the surface based on operational conditions at the time the leak was detected. See Section 7.6 for details regarding seismic monitoring and analysis. See Section 6.8 for additional information on quantification strategies.

6.8 Strategy for Quantifying CO2 Leakage and Response

6.8.1 Leakage from Surface Equipment

For normal operations, quantification of emissions of $CO₂$ from surface equipment will be assessed by employing the methods detailed in Subpart W according to the requirements of 98.444(d) of Subpart RR. Quantification of major leakage events from surface equipment as identified by the detection techniques listed in **Table 6-1** will be assessed by employing methods most appropriate for the site of the identified leak. Once a leak has been identified the leakage location will be isolated to prevent additional emissions to the atmosphere. Quantification will be based on the length of time of the leak and parameters that existed at the time of the leak such as pressure, temperature, composition of the gas stream, and size of the leakage point. TND has standard operating procedures to report and quantify all pipeline leaks in accordance with the NMOCD regulations (New Mexico administrative Code 19.15.28 Natural Gas Gathering Systems). TND will modify this procedure to quantify the mass of carbon dioxide from each leak discovered by TND or third parties. Additionally, TND may employ available leakage models for characterizing and predicting gas leakage from gas pipelines. In addition to the physical conditions listed above, these models are capable of incorporating the thermodynamic parameters relevant to the leak thereby increasing the accuracy of quantification.

6.8.2 Subsurface Leakage

Selection of a quantification strategy for leaks that occur in the subsurface will be based on the leak detection method (**Table 6-1**) that identifies the leak. Leaks associated with the point sources, such as the injection wells, and identified by failed MITs, variations of operational parameters outside acceptable ranges, and in-well P/T sensors can be addressed immediately after the injection well has been shut in. Quantification of the mass of $CO₂$ emitted during the leak will depend on characterization of the subsurface leak, operational conditions at the time of the leak, and knowledge of the geology and hydrogeology at the leakage site. Conservative estimates of the mass of $CO₂$ emitted to the surface will be made assuming that all CO₂ released during the leak will reach the surface. TND may choose to estimate the emissions to the surface more accurately by employing transport, geochemical, or reactive transport model simulations.

Other wells within the MMA will be monitored with the atmospheric and $CO₂$ flux monitoring network placed strategically in their vicinity.

Nonpoint sources of leaks such as through the confining zone, along faults or fractures, or which may be initiated by seismic events and as may be identified by variations of operational parameters outside acceptable ranges will require further investigation to determine the extent of leakage and may result in cessation of operations.

6.8.3 Surface Leakage

A recent review of risk and uncertainty assessment for geologic carbon storage (Xiao et al., 2024) discussed monitoring for sequestered $CO₂$ leaking back to the surface emphasizing the importance of monitoring

network design in detecting such leaks. Leaks detected by visual inspection, hand-held gas sensors, fixed infield gas sensors, atmospheric, and $CO₂$ flux monitoring will be assessed to determine if the leaks originate from surface equipment, in which case leaks will be quantified according to the strategies in Section 6.8.1, or from the subsurface. In the latter case, $CO₂$ flux monitoring methodologies, as described in Section 7.8, will be employed to quantify the surface leaks.

7 Strategy for Establishing Expected Baselines for Monitoring CO₂ Surface Leakage

TND uses the existing automatic distributed control system to continuously monitor operating parameters and to identify any excursions from normal operating conditions that may indicate leakage of CO_2 . TND considers H₂S to be a proxy for CO₂ leakage to the surface and as such will employ and expand upon methodologies detailed in their H₂S Contingency plan to establish baselines for monitoring $CO₂$ surface leakage. The following describes TND's strategy for collecting baseline information.

7.1 Visual Inspection

TND field personnel conduct frequent periodic inspections of all surface equipment providing opportunities to assess baseline concentrations of H_2S , a proxy for CO_2 , at the Red Hills Gas Plant.

7.2 Fixed In-Field, Handheld, and Personal H_2S Monitors

Compositional analysis of TND's gas injectate at the Red Hills Gas Plant indicates an approximate H₂S concentration of 20% thus requiring TND to develop and maintain an H2S Contingency Plan (Plan) according to the NMOCD Hydrogen Sulfide Gas Regulations, Rule 11 (19.15.11 NMAC). TND considers H₂S to be a proxy for CO₂ leaks at the plant. The Plan contains procedures to provide for an organized response to an unplanned release of H2S from the plant or the associated RH AGI wells and documents procedures that would be followed in case of such an event.

7.2.1 Fixed In-Field H_2S Monitors

The Red Hills Gas Plant utilizes numerous fixed-point monitors, strategically located throughout the plant, to detect the presence of H2S in ambient air. The sensors are connected to the Control Room alarm panel's Programmable Logic Controllers (PLCs), and then to the DCS. Upon detection of H_2S at 10 ppm at any detector, visible amber beacons are activated, and horns are activated with a continuous warbling alarm. Upon detection of hydrogen sulfide at 90 ppm at any monitor, an evacuation alarm is sounded throughout the plant at which time all personnel will proceed immediately to a designated evacuation area.

7.2.2 Handheld and Personal H_2S Monitors

Handheld gas detection monitors are available at strategic locations around the plant so that plant personnel can check specific areas and equipment prior to initiating maintenance or other work. The handheld gas detectors have sensors for oxygen, LEL (explosive hydrocarbon atmospheres), H₂S and CO₂.

All personnel, including contractors who perform operations, maintenance and/or repair work in sour gas areas within the plant must wear personal H_2S monitoring devices to assist them in detecting the presence of unsafe levels of H2S. Personal monitoring devices will give an audible alarm and vibrate at 10 ppm.

7.3 $CO₂$ Detection

In addition to the handheld gas detection monitors described above, New Mexico Tech, through a DOE research grant (DE-FE0031837 – Carbon Utilization and Storage Project of the Western USA (CUSP)), will assist TND in setting up a monitoring network for CO₂ leakage detection in the AMA as defined in Section 4.2. The scope of work for the DOE project includes field sampling activities to monitor $CO₂/H₂S$ at the two RH AGI wells. These activities include periodic well (groundwater and gas) and atmospheric sampling from an area of 10 – 15 square miles around the injection wells. Once the network is set up, TND will assume responsibility for monitoring, recording, and reporting data collected from the system for the duration of the project.

7.4 Continuous Parameter Monitoring

The DCS of the plant monitors injection rates, pressures, and composition on a continuous basis. High and low set points are programmed into the DCS, and engineering and operations are alerted if a parameter is outside the allowable window. If a parameter is outside the allowable window, this will trigger further investigation to determine if the issue poses a leak threat. Also, see Section 6.2 for continuous monitoring of P/T in the well.

7.5 Well Surveillance

TND adheres to the requirements of NMOCC Rule 26 governing the construction, operation and closing of an injection well under the Oil and Gas Act. Rule 26 also includes requirements for testing and monitoring of Class II injection wells to ensure they maintain mechanical integrity at all times. Furthermore, NMOCC includes special conditions regarding monitoring, reporting, and testing in the individual permits for each injection well, if they are deemed necessary. TND's Routine Operations and Maintenance Procedures for the RH AGI wells ensure frequent periodic inspection of the wells and opportunities to detect leaks and implement corrective action.

7.6 Seismic (Microseismic) Monitoring Stations

TND has Installed a model TCH120-1 Trillium Compact Horizon Seismometer and a model CTR4-3S Centaur Digital Recorder to monitor for and record data for any seismic event at the Red Hills Gas Plant (see **Figure 7-1)**. The seismic station meets the requirements of the NMOCC Order No. R-20916-H to "install, operate, and monitor for the life of the [Class II AGI] permit a seismic monitoring station or stations as directed by the Manager of the New Mexico Tech Seismological Observatory ("state seismologist") at the New Mexico Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources."

In addition, data that are recorded by the State of New Mexico deployed seismic network within a 10-mile radius of the Red Hills Gas Plant will be analyzed by the New Mexico Bureau of Geology (NMBGMR), see **Figure 5.6-1**, and made publicly available. The NMBGMR seismologist will create a report and map showing the magnitudes of recorded events from seismic activity. The data are being continuously recorded. By examining historical data, a seismic baseline prior to the start of TAG injection can be well established and used to verify anomalous events that occur during current and future injection activities. If necessary, a certain period of time can be extracted from the overall data set to identify anomalous events during that period.

7.7 Groundwater Monitoring

New Mexico Tech, through the same DOE research grant described in Section 7.3 above, will monitor groundwater wells for CO₂ leakage which are located within the AMA as defined in Section 4.2. Water samples will be collected and analyzed on a monthly basis for 12 months to establish baseline data. After establishing the water chemistry baseline, samples will be collected and analyzed bi-monthly for one year and then quarterly. Samples will be collected according to EPA methods for groundwater sampling (U.S. EPA, 2015).

The water analysis includes total dissolved solids (TDS), conductivity, pH, alkalinity, major cations, major anions, oxidation-reduction potentials (ORP), inorganic carbon (IC), and non-purgeable organic carbon (NPOC). Charge balance of ions will be completed as quality control of the collected groundwater samples. See **Table 7.7-1**. Baseline analyses will be compiled and compared with regional historical data to determine patterns of change in groundwater chemistry not related to injection processes at the Red Hills Gas Plant. A report of groundwater chemistry will be developed from this analysis. Any water quality samples not within the expected variation will be further investigated to determine if leakage has occurred from the injection zone.

Table 7.7-1: Groundwater Monitoring Parameters

7.8 Soil CO₂ Flux Monitoring

A vital part of the monitoring program is to identify potential leakage of $CO₂$ and/or brine from the injection horizon into the overlying formations and to the surface. One method that will be deployed is to gather and analyze soil CO₂ flux data which serves as a means for assessing potential migration of CO₂ through the soil and its escape to the atmosphere. By taking $CO₂$ soil flux measurements at periodic intervals, TND can continuously characterize the interaction between the subsurface and surface to understand potential leakage pathways. Actionable recommendations can be made based on the collected data.

Soil $CO₂$ flux will be collected on a monthly basis for 12 months to establish the baseline and understand seasonal and other variation at the Red Hills Gas Plant. After the baseline is established, data will be collected bi-monthly for one year and then quarterly.

Soil CO₂ flux measurements will be taken using a LI-COR LI-8100A flux chamber, or similar instrument, at pre planned locations at the site. PVC soil collars (8cm diameter) will be installed in accordance with the LI-8100A specifications. Measurements will be subsequently made by placing the LI-8100A chamber on the soil collars and using the integrated iOS app to input relevant parameters, initialize measurement, and record the system's flux and coefficient of variation (CV) output. The soil collars will be left in place such that each subsequent measurement campaign will use the same locations and collars during data collection.

Figure 7-1: Red Hills monitoring network of 32 CO₂ flux locations, 2 groundwater wells, and a seismic station *developed by New Mexico Tech and Targa Resources to detect leakage during injection.*

8 Site Specific Considerations for Determining the Mass of CO₂ Sequestered

Appendix 7 summarizes the twelve Subpart RR equations used to calculate the mass of CO₂ sequestered annually. **Appendix 8** includes the twelve equations from Subpart RR. Not all of these equations apply to TND's current operations at the Red Hills Gas Plant but are included in the event TND's operations change in such a way that their use is required.

Figure 3.6-2 shows the location of all surface equipment and points of venting listed in 40CFR98.232(d) of Subpart W that will be used in the calculations listed below.

8.1 CO₂ Received

Currently, TND receives gas to its Red Hills Gas Plant through six pipelines: Gut Line, Winkler Discharge, Red Hills 24" Inlet Loop, Greyhound Discharge, Limestone Discharge, and the Plantview Loop. The gas is processed as described in Section 3.8 to produce compressed TAG which is then routed to the wellhead and pumped to injection pressure through NACE-rated (National Association of Corrosion Engineers) pipeline suitable for injection. TND will use Equation RR-2 for Pipelines to calculate the mass of $CO₂$ received through pipelines and measured through volumetric flow meters. The total annual mass of $CO₂$ received through these pipelines will be calculated using Equation RR-3. Receiving flow meter r in the following equations corresponds to meters M1 and M2 in **Figure 3.6-2**.

$$
CO_{2T, r} = \sum_{p=1}^{4} (Q_{r, p} - S_{r, p}) \cdot D \cdot C_{CO_{2, p, r}}
$$
\n(Fquation RR-2 for Pipelines)

where:

- $CO_{2T,r}$ = Net annual mass of CO_2 received through flow meter r (metric tons).
- $Q_{L,p}$ = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).
- $S_{I,D}$ = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into your well in quarter p (standard cubic meters).
- D = Density of CO₂ at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.
- $C_{\text{CO2},p,r}$ = Quarterly CO₂ concentration measurement in flow for flow meter r in quarter p (vol. percent CO2, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- $p =$ Quarter of the year.
- $r =$ Receiving flow meter.

$$
CO_2 = \sum_{r=1}^{R} CO_{2T,r}
$$

(Equation RR-3 for Pipelines)

where:

- CO_2 = Total net annual mass of CO_2 received (metric tons).
- CO $2T_{\text{r}}$ = Net annual mass of CO₂ received (metric tons) as calculated in Equation RR-1 or RR-2 for flow meter r.
- $r =$ Receiving flow meter.

Although TND does not currently receive $CO₂$ in containers for injection, they wish to include the flexibility in this MRV plan to receive gas from containers. When TND begins to receive $CO₂$ in containers, TND will use Equations RR-1 and RR-2 for Containers to calculate the mass of $CO₂$ received in containers. TND will adhere to the requirements in 40CFR98.444(a)(2) for determining the quarterly mass or volume of $CO₂$ received in containers.

If CO2 received in containers results in a material change as described in 40CFR98.448(d)(1), TND will submit a revised MRV plan addressing the material change.

8.2 $CO₂$ Injected

TND injects CO_2 into RH AGI #1 and RH AGI #3. Equation RR-5 will be used to calculate CO_2 measured through volumetric flow meters before being injected into the wells. Equation RR-6 will be used to calculate the total annual mass of CO₂ injected into both wells. The calculated total annual CO₂ mass injected is the parameter CO₂₁ in

Equation RR-12. Volumetric flow meter u in the following equations corresponds to meters M3 and M6 in **Figure 3.6-2**.

$$
CO_{2, u} = \sum_{p=1}^{4} Q_{p, u} * D * C_{CO_{2, p, u}}
$$

(Equation RR-5)

where:

- $CO_{2,\mu}$ = Annual CO_2 mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.
- $Q_{p,u}$ = Quarterly volumetric flow rate measurement for flow meter u in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters per quarter).
- D = Density of CO₂ at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.
- $C_{\text{CO2},p,u}$ = CO₂ concentration measurement in flow for flow meter u in quarter p (vol. percent CO₂, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- $p =$ Quarter of the year.

$$
u = \text{Flow meter}.
$$

$$
CO_{2I} = \sum_{u=1}^{U} CO_{2,u}
$$

(Equation RR-6)

where:

 CO_{2I} = Total annual CO_2 mass injected (metric tons) though all injection wells.

 $CO_{2,\mu}$ = Annual CO₂ mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

 $u = Flow$ meter.

8.3 CO2 Produced / Recycled

TND does not produce oil or gas or any other liquid at its Red Hills Gas Plant so there is no $CO₂$ produced or recycled.

8.4 $CO₂$ Lost through Surface Leakage

Equation RR-10 will be used to calculate the annual mass of $CO₂$ lost due to surface leakage from the leakage pathways identified and evaluated in Section 5 above. The calculated total annual CO₂ mass emitted by surface leakage is the parameter CO_{2E} in Equation RR-12 addressed in Section 8.6 below. Quantification strategies for leaks from the identified potential leakage pathways is discussed in Section 6.8.

$$
CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^{X} CO_{2,x}
$$

(Equation RR-10)

where:

 CO $_{2E}$ = Total annual $CO₂$ mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year.

 CO $_{2x}$ = Annual $CO₂$ mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year.

 $x =$ Leakage pathway.

8.5 $CO₂$ Emitted from Equipment Leaks and Vented Emissions

As required by 98.444(d) of Subpart RR, TND will assess leakage from the relevant surface equipment listed in Sections 98.233 and 98.234 of Subpart W. According to 98.233(r)(2) of Subpart W, the emissions factor listed in Table W-1A of Subpart W shall be used to estimate all streams of gases. Parameter CO_{2F1} in Equation RR-12 is the total annual CO₂ mass emitted or vented from equipment located between the flow meter for measuring injection quantity and the injection wellhead. A calculation procedure is provided in subpart W.

8.6 CO2 Sequestered

Since TND does not actively produce oil or natural gas or any other fluid at its Red Hills Gas Plant, Equation RR-12 will be used to calculate the total annual $CO₂$ mass sequestered in subsurface geologic formations.

$$
CO2 = CO2I - CO2E - CO2FI (Equation RR-12)
$$

- CO_2 = Total annual CO_2 mass sequestered in subsurface geologic formations (metric tons) at the facility in the reporting year.
- CO $_{21}$ = Total annual $CO₂$ mass injected (metric tons) in the well or group of wells in the reporting year.
- CO $_{2E}$ = Total annual $CO₂$ mass emitted (metric tons) by surface leakage in the reporting year.
- CO 2FI = Total annual $CO₂$ mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of $CO₂$ from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of this part.

9 Estimated Schedule for Implementation of MRV Plan

The baseline monitoring and leakage detection and quantification strategies described herein have been established and data collected by TND and its predecessor, Lucid, for several years and continues to the present. TND will begin implementing this revised MRV plan as soon as it is approved by EPA.

10 GHG Monitoring and Quality Assurance Program

TND will meet the monitoring and QA/QC requirements of 40CFR98.444 of Subpart RR including those of Subpart W for emissions from surface equipment as required by 40CFR98.444(d).

10.1 GHG Monitoring

As required by 40CFR98.3(g)(5)(i), TND's internal documentation regarding the collection of emissions data includes the following:

- Identification of positions of responsibility (i.e., job titles) for collection of the emissions data
- Explanation of the processes and methods used to collect the necessary data for the GHG calculations

● Description of the procedures and methods that are used for quality assurance, maintenance, and repair of all continuous monitoring systems, flow meters, and other instrumentation used to provide data for the GHGs reported

10.1.1 General

Measurement of CO₂ Concentration – All measurements of CO₂ concentrations of any CO₂ quantity will be conducted according to an appropriate standard method published by a consensus-based standards organization or an industry standard practice such as the Gas Producers Association (GPA) standards. All measurements of $CO₂$ concentrations of $CO₂$ received will meet the requirements of 40CFR98.444(a)(3).

Measurement of CO₂ Volume - All measurements of CO₂ volumes will be converted to the following standard industry temperature and pressure conditions for use in Equations RR-2 and RR-5, of Subpart RR of the GHGRP: Standard cubic meters at a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and at an absolute pressure of 1 atmosphere. TND will adhere to the American Gas Association (AGA) Report #3 – Orifice Metering.

10.1.2 $CO₂$ received.

Daily CO₂ received is recorded by totalizers on the volumetric flow meters on each of the pipelines listed in Section 8 using accepted flow calculations for $CO₂$ according to the AGA Report #3.

10.1.3 CO₂ injected.

Daily CO₂ injected is recorded by totalizers on the volumetric flow meters on the pipelines to the RH AGI #1 and RH AGI #3 wells using accepted flow calculations for $CO₂$ according to the AGA Report #3.

$10.1.4$ CO₂ produced.

TND does not produce $CO₂$ at the Red Hills Gas Plant.

10.1.5 $CO₂$ emissions from equipment leaks and vented emissions of $CO₂$.

As required by 98.444(d), TND will follow the monitoring and QA/QC requirements specified in Subpart W of the GHGRP for equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead.

As required by 98.444(d) of Subpart RR, TND will assess leakage from the relevant surface equipment listed in Sections 98.233 and 98.234 of Subpart W. According to 98.233(r)(2) of Subpart W, the emissions factor listed in Table W-1A of Subpart W shall be used.

10.1.6 Measurement devices.

As required by 40CFR98.444(e), TND will ensure that:

- All flow meters are operated continuously except as necessary for maintenance and calibration
- All flow meters used to measure quantities reported are calibrated according to the calibration and accuracy requirements in 40CFR98.3(i) of Subpart A of the GHGRP.
- All measurement devices are operated according to an appropriate standard method published by a consensus-based standards organization or an industry standard practice. Consensus-based standards organizations include, but are not limited to, the following: ASTM International, the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), the American Gas Association (AGA), the Gas Producers Association (GPA), the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), the American Petroleum Institute (API), and the North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB).
- All flow meter calibrations performed are National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) traceable.

10.2 QA/QC Procedures

TND will adhere to all QA/QC requirements in Subparts A, RR, and W of the GHGRP, as required in the development of this MRV plan under Subpart RR. Any measurement devices used to acquire data will be operated and maintained according to the relevant industry standards.

10.3 Estimating Missing Data

TND will estimate any missing data according to the following procedures in 40CFR98.445 of Subpart RR of the GHGRP, as required.

- \bullet A quarterly flow rate of CO₂ received that is missing would be estimated using invoices, purchase statements, or using a representative flow rate value from the nearest previous time period.
- \bullet A quarterly CO₂ concentration of a CO₂ stream received that is missing would be estimated using invoices, purchase statements, or using a representative concentration value from the nearest previous time period.
- \bullet A quarterly quantity of CO₂ injected that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO2 injected from the nearest previous period of time at a similar injection pressure.
- For any values associated with $CO₂$ emissions from equipment leaks and vented emissions of $CO₂$ from surface equipment at the facility that are reported in Subpart RR, missing data estimation procedures specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98 would be followed.

10.4 Revisions of the MRV Plan

TND will revise the MRV plan as needed to reflect changes in monitoring instrumentation and quality assurance procedures; or to improve procedures for the maintenance and repair of monitoring systems to reduce the frequency of monitoring equipment downtime; or to address additional requirements as directed by the USEPA or the State of New Mexico. If any operational changes constitute a material change as described in 40CFR98.448(d)(1), TND will submit a revised MRV plan addressing the material change.

11 Records Retention

TND will meet the recordkeeping requirements of paragraph 40CFR98.3(g) of Subpart A of the GHGRP. As required by 40CFR98.3(g) and 40CFR98.447, TND will retain the following documents:

- (1) A list of all units, operations, processes, and activities for which GHG emissions were calculated.
- (2) The data used to calculate the GHG emissions for each unit, operation, process, and activity. These data include:
	- (i) The GHG emissions calculations and methods used
	- (ii) Analytical results for the development of site-specific emissions factors, if applicable
	- (iii) The results of all required analyses
	- (iv) Any facility operating data or process information used for the GHG emission calculations
- (3) The annual GHG reports.

(4) Missing data computations. For each missing data event, TND will retain a record of the cause of the event and the corrective actions taken to restore malfunctioning monitoring equipment.

(5) A copy of the most recent revision of this MRV Plan.

(6) The results of all required certification and quality assurance tests of continuous monitoring systems, fuel flow meters, and other instrumentation used to provide data for the GHGs reported.

(7) Maintenance records for all continuous monitoring systems, flow meters, and other instrumentation used to provide data for the GHGs reported.

(8) Quarterly records of CO2 received, including mass flow rate of contents of container (mass or volumetric) at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.

(9) Quarterly records of injected $CO₂$ including mass flow or volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.

(10) Annual records of information used to calculate the $CO₂$ emitted by surface leakage from leakage pathways.

(11) Annual records of information used to calculate the $CO₂$ emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of $CO₂$ from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead.

(12) Any other records as specified for retention in this EPA-approved MRV plan.

Appendices

Appendix 1 TND Wells

Figure Appendix 1-1: Schematic of RH AGI #1

Figure Appendix 1-2: As-built wellbore schematic for RH AGI #3

Note: Depths are not to scale.

Figure Appendix 1-3: As-built wellbore schematic for the RH AGI #2 Well (temporarily abandoned). The colored portion of the schematic below 6,205 ft was not completed.

Appendix 2 Referenced Regulations

U.S. Code > Title 26. INTERNAL REVENUE CODE > Subtitle A. Income Taxes > Chapter 1. NORMAL TAXES AND SURTAXES > Subchapter A. Determination of Tax Liability > Part IV. CREDITS AGAINST TAX > Subpart D. Business Related Credits > [Section 45Q - Credit for carbon oxide sequestration](https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/26/45Q)

New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC) > Title 19 – Natural resources > Chapter 15 – Oil and Gas

[CHAPTER](https://regulations.justia.com/states/new-mexico/title-19/chapter-15/) 15 - OIL AND GAS

Appendix 3 Water Wells

Water wells identified by the New Mexico State Engineer's files within two miles of the RH AGI wells; water wells within one mile are highlighted in yellow.

Appendix 4 Oil and Gas Wells within 2-mile Radius of the RH AGI Well Site

Note – a completion status of "New" indicates that an Application for Permit to Drill has been filed and approved but the well has not yet been completed. Likewise, a spud date of 31-Dec-99 is actually 12-31-9999, a date used by NMOCD databases to indicate work not yet reported.

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Appendix 6 Abbreviations and Acronyms

3D – 3 dimensional AGA – American Gas Association AMA – Active Monitoring Area AoR – Area of Review API – American Petroleum Institute CFR – Code of Federal Regulations C1 – methane C6 – hexane C7 - heptane CO 2 – carbon dioxide DCS – distributed control system EPA – US Environmental Protection Agency, also USEPA ft – foot (feet) GHGRP – Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program GPA – Gas Producers Association $m - meter(s)$ md – millidarcy(ies) mg/l – milligrams per liter MIT – mechanical integrity test MMA – maximum monitoring area MSCFD– thousand standard cubic feet per day MMSCFD – million standard cubic feet per day MMstb – million stock tank barrels MRRW B – Morrow B MRV – Monitoring, Reporting, and Verification MT -- Metric tonne NIST - National Institute of Standards and Technology NMOCC – New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission NMOCD - New Mexico Oil Conservation Division PPM – Parts Per Million psia – pounds per square inch absolute QA/QC – quality assurance/quality control SCITS - Stanford Center for Induced and Triggered Seismicity Stb/d – stock tank barrel per day TAG – Treated Acid Gas TDS – Total Dissolved Solids TVD – True Vertical Depth TVDSS – True Vertical Depth Subsea UIC – Underground Injection Control USDW – Underground Source of Drinking Water

* All measurements must be made in accordance with 40 CFR 98.444 – Monitoring and QA/QC Requirements.

** If you measure the mass of contents of containers summed quarterly using weigh bill, scales, or load cells (40 CFR 98.444(a)(2)(i)), use RR-1 for Containers to calculate CO₂ received in containers for injection.

*** If you determine the volume of contents of containers summed quarterly (40 CFR 98.444(a)(2)(ii)), use RR-2 for Containers to calculate CO₂ received in containers for injection.

Appendix 8 Subpart RR Equations for Calculating Annual Mass of CO₂ Sequestered **RR-1 for Calculating Mass of CO2 Received through Pipeline Mass Flow Meters**

$$
CO_{2T, r} = \sum_{p=1}^{4} (Q_{r,p} - S_{r,p}) \cdot C_{CO_{2,p,r}}
$$

(Equation RR-1 for Pipelines)

(Equation RR-1 for Containers)

where:

- $CO_{2T,r}$ = Net annual mass of CO_2 received through flow meter r (metric tons).
- $Q_{r,p}$ = Quarterly mass flow through a receiving flow meter r in quarter p (metric tons).
- $S_{r,p}$ = Quarterly mass flow through a receiving flow meter r that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into your well in quarter p (metric tons).
- $C_{\text{CO2},p,r}$ = Quarterly CO₂ concentration measurement in flow for flow meter r in quarter p (wt. percent CO2, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- $p =$ Quarter of the year.
- $r =$ Receiving flow meter.

RR-1 for Calculating Mass of CO2 Received in Containers by Measuring Mass in Container

$$
CO_{2T, r} = \sum_{p=1}^{4} (Q_{r,p} - S_{r,p}) \cdot C_{CO_{2,p,r}}
$$

where:

- $CO\ 2T.r$ = Net annual mass of $CO₂$ received in containers r (metric tons).
- $Q_{r,p}$ = Quarterly mass of contents in containers r in quarter p (metric tons).
- $S_{r,p}$ = Quarterly mass of contents in containers r redelivered to another facility without being injected into your well in quarter p (metric tons).
- $C_{CO2,p,r}$ = Quarterly CO₂ concentration measurement of contents in containers r in quarter p (wt. percent CO2, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- $p =$ Quarter of the year.
- $r =$ Containers.

RR-2 for Calculating Mass of CO2 Received through Pipeline Volumetric Flow Meters

$$
CO_{2T, r} = \sum_{p=1}^{4} (Q_{r,p} - S_{r,p})^* D^* C_{CO_{2,p,r}}
$$
 (Equation)

where:

- $CO_{2T,r}$ = Net annual mass of CO_2 received through flow meter r (metric tons).
- $Q_{r,p}$ = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

RR-2 for Pipelines)

- $S_{r,p}$ = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into your well in quarter p (standard cubic meters).
- D $=$ Density of CO₂ at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.
- $C_{\text{CO2},p,r}$ = Quarterly CO₂ concentration measurement in flow for flow meter r in quarter p (vol. percent CO2, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- $p =$ Quarter of the year.
- $r =$ Receiving flow meter.

RR-2 for Calculating Mass of CO2 Received in Containers by Measuring Volume in Container

$$
CO_{2T, r} = \sum_{p=1}^{4} (Q_{r,p} - S_{r,p}) \cdot D \cdot C_{CO_{2,p,r}}
$$
\n(Fquation RR-2 for Containers)

where:

- CO_{2Tx} = Net annual mass of CO_2 received in containers r (metric tons).
- $Q_{r,p}$ = Quarterly volume of contents in containers r in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).
- $S_{r,p}$ = Quarterly volume of contents in containers r redelivered to another facility without being injected into your well in quarter p (standard cubic meters).
- $D =$ Density of CO₂ received in containers at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.
- $C_{CO2,p,r}$ = Quarterly CO₂ concentration measurement of contents in containers r in quarter p (vol. percent $CO₂$, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- $p =$ Quarter of the year.
- $r =$ Containers.

RR-3 for Summation of Mass of CO2 Received through Multiple Flow Meters for Pipelines

$$
CO_2 = \sum_{r=1}^{R} CO_{2T,r}
$$

(Equation RR-3 for Pipelines)

where:

- CO_2 = Total net annual mass of CO_2 received (metric tons).
- $CO_{2T,r}$ = Net annual mass of CO_2 received (metric tons) as calculated in Equation RR-1 or RR-2 for flow meter r.
- $r =$ Receiving flow meter.

RR-4 for Calculating Mass of CO2 Injected through Mass Flow Meters into Injection Well

$$
CO_{2, u} = \sum_{p=1}^{4} Q_{p, u} * C_{CO_{2, p, u}}
$$

(Equation RR-4)

where:

 $CO_{2,\text{u}}$ = Annual CO_2 mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

 $Q_{p,u}$ = Quarterly mass flow rate measurement for flow meter u in quarter p (metric tons per quarter).

 $C_{\text{CO2},p,u}$ = Quarterly CO₂ concentration measurement in flow for flow meter u in quarter p (wt. percent CO2, expressed as a decimal fraction).

$$
p = Quarter of the year.
$$

$$
u = Flow meter.
$$

RR-5 for Calculating Mass of CO2 Injected through Volumetric Flow Meters into Injection Well

$$
CO_{2, u} = \sum_{p=1}^{4} Q_{p, u} * D * C_{CO_{2, p, u}}
$$
 (Equation RR-5)

where:

- $CO_{2,\mu}$ = Annual CO₂ mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.
- $Q_{p,u}$ = Quarterly volumetric flow rate measurement for flow meter u in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters per quarter).
- D $=$ Density of CO₂ at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.
- $C_{\text{CO2},p,u}$ = CO₂ concentration measurement in flow for flow meter u in quarter p (vol. percent CO₂, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- $p =$ Quarter of the year.

 $u = Flow$ meter.

RR-6 for Summation of Mass of CO2 Injected into Multiple Wells

$$
CO_{2I} = \sum_{u=1}^{U} CO_{2,u}
$$

(Equation RR-6)

where:

- CO_{2I} = Total annual CO_2 mass injected (metric tons) though all injection wells.
- $CO_{2,\text{u}}$ = Annual CO_2 mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

 $u = Flow$ meter.

RR-7 for Calculating Mass of CO2 Produced / Recycled from a Gas-Liquid Separator through Mass Flow Meters

$$
CO_{2, w} = \sum_{p=1}^{4} Q_{p,w} * C_{CO_{2,p,w}}
$$

(Equation RR-7)

where:

 $CO_{2,w}$ = Annual CO_2 mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.

- $Q_{\text{p,w}}$ = Quarterly gas mass flow rate measurement for separator w in quarter p (metric tons).
- $C_{\text{CO2},p,w}$ = Quarterly CO₂ concentration measurement in flow for separator w in quarter p (wt. percent CO₂, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- $p =$ Quarter of the year.

 $w =$ Separator.

RR-8 for Calculating Mass of CO2 Produced / Recycled from a Gas-Liquid Separator through Volumetric Flow Meters

$$
CO_{2, w} = \sum_{p=1}^{4} Q_{p,w} * D * C_{CO_{2,p,w}}
$$

(Equation RR-8)

where:

- $CO_{2,w}$ = Annual CO_2 mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.
- $Q_{p,w}$ = Quarterly gas volumetric flow rate measurement for separator w in quarter p (standard cubic meters).
- D $=$ Density of CO₂ at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.
- $C_{\text{CO2,p,w}}$ = Quarterly CO₂ concentration measurement in flow for separator w in quarter p (vol. percent CO₂, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- $p =$ Quarter of the year.
- w = Separator.

RR-9 for Summation of Mass of CO2 Produced / Recycled through Multiple Gas Liquid Separators

$$
CO_{2P} = (1+X) \star \sum_{w=1}^{W} CO_{2, w}
$$
 (Equation RR-9)

where:

 CO_{2P} = Total annual CO_2 mass produced (metric tons) though all separators in the reporting year.

$$
X
$$
 = Entrained CO₂ in produced oil or other liquid divided by the CO₂ separated through all separators in the reporting year (wt. percent CO₂ expressed as a decimal fraction).

 $CO_{2,w}$ = Annual CO_2 mass produced (metric tons) through separator w in the reporting year.

w = Separator.

RR-10 for Calculating Annual Mass of CO2 Emitted by Surface Leakage

$$
CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^{X} CO_{2,x}
$$

(Equation RR-10)

where:

 CO $_{2E}$ = Total annual $CO₂$ mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year.

CO $_{2,x}$ = Annual CO₂ mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year.

 $x =$ Leakage pathway.

RR-11 for Calculating Annual Mass of CO2 Sequestered for Operators Actively Producing Oil or Natural Gas or Any Other Fluid

$$
CO2 = CO2I - CO2P - CO2E - CO2FI - CO2FP
$$

(Equation RR-11)

Where:

- $CO₂$ = Total annual $CO₂$ mass sequestered in subsurface geologic formations (metric tons) at the facility in the reporting year.
- CO_{21} = Total annual $CO₂$ mass injected (metric tons) in the well or group of wells in the reporting year.
- CO $2P$ = Total annual $CO₂$ mass produced (metric tons) in the reporting year.
- CO_{2E} = Total annual CO_2 mass emitted (metric tons) by surface leakage in the reporting year.
- CO 2FI = Total annual $CO₂$ mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of $CO₂$ from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of this part.
- CO $_{2FP}$ = Total annual CO_2 mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO_2 from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of this part.

RR-12 for Calculating Annual Mass of CO2 Sequestered for Operators NOT Actively Producing Oil or Natural Gas or Any Other Fluid

$$
CO2 = CO2I - CO2E - CO2FI (Equation RR-12)
$$

- $CO₂$ = Total annual $CO₂$ mass sequestered in subsurface geologic formations (metric tons) at the facility in the reporting year.
- CO_{2I} = Total annual $CO₂$ mass injected (metric tons) in the well or group of wells in the reporting year.
- CO $_{2E}$ = Total annual $CO₂$ mass emitted (metric tons) by surface leakage in the reporting year.
- CO $_{2FI}$ = Total annual CO_2 mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO_2 from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of this part.

Appendix 9 P&A Records

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P&A Record for Government Com 001, API #30-025-25604

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P&A Records for API #30-025-26958

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