## BEFORE THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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IN THE MATTER OF CHANGES TO THE RULES OF PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE OF THE OIL & GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO CAUSE NO. 1R

DOCKET NO. 1312-RM-02

## NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE

## TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This Matter comes before the Commission for a Prehearing Conference on the Rulemaking Hearing on December 17, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. The Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado ("Commission"), on its own motion, will consider additions and amendments to the Rule 300 Series (Drilling, Development, Production and Abandonment) and the Rule 900 Series (E&P Waste Management) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure 2 C.C.R. 404-1 ("Rules"), to establish new and amended rules for the reporting of spills.

The Colorado General Assembly recently passed H.B. 13-1278 and Governor Hickenlooper signed it into law on May 11, 2013, creating C.R.S. § 34-60-130, Reporting of Spills-Rules. In response to this legislative amendment to the Oil & Gas Conservation Act, the enabling statute of the Commission, this rulemaking hearing proposes amending the current Rules regarding reportable spills and reporting requirements. The Commission has the authority to conduct this rulemaking pursuant to §§ 34-60-105, 34-60-106(2)(a), 34-60-106(2)(d), and 34-60-130 C.R.S.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commission has scheduled the above entitled matter for a prehearing conference for the rulemaking hearing commencing on:

Date:	Friday, November 22, 2013
Time:	10:00 a.m.
Place:	State Board of Land Commissioners 1127 Sherman Street, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Denver, Colorado 80203

**Prehearing Statements and Comments.** Each party, person or organization who wants to participate in this rulemaking and submit a prehearing statement or comment must file and serve in the manner set forth below. Deadline for prehearing statements or comments is **November 8, 2013**. Response documents to the prehearing statements or comments will be due **November 15, 2013**.

Prehearing statements, comments, and response documents: shall be limited to 5 pages single spaced, excluding exhibits; shall succinctly summarize the factual and legal issues that arise from the rulemaking proposal, and what position is being taken on each

such issue and the basis for that position; shall attach copies of all exhibits to be introduced, and shall list the name and occupation of all witnesses that may be called.

**Filing and service.** Filings by parties must be served via first class mail on the Commission in hard copy and electronic copy as follows: 1) hard copies for the Commission - the original and 2 copies delivered to Robert J. Frick, Hearings Manager, Docket No. 1312-RM-02, Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, 1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801, Denver, Colorado, 80203; and 2) an electronic copy emailed, preferably in portable document format (*pdf*), to *DNR\_COGCC.Rulemaking@state.co.us* for posting to the Commission website.

The Commission may take actions, including without limitation, modifying or amending the existing rules described or proposed herein and making conforming modifications to other rules, which it determines are reasonably necessary.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if any person requires special accommodations as a result of a disability for this hearing, please contact Margaret Humecki at (303) 894-2100 ext. 5139, prior to the hearing and arrangements will be made.

Copies of the current and proposed Rules are available on the Commission internet homepage at *http://cogcc.state.co.us* or available upon request at the Commission.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

Robert J. Frick, Secretary

Dated: November 8, 2013