RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS Oil and Gas Division

NOTICE TO OIL AND GAS OPERATORS

Amendments to Statewide Rule 28: Potential Deliverability of Gas Wells to be Ascertained and Reported & Revisions to Form G-10 – Gas Status Report

As part of the Texas Oilfield Relief Initiative, the Railroad Commission of Texas (Commission) adopted amendments to 16 Texas Administrative Code §3.28 (Statewide Rule 28), relating to Potential Deliverability of Gas Wells to be Ascertained and Reported, effective January 1, 2017. In addition, the Commission adopted revisions to Form G-10, *Gas Status Report*, for use on or after January 1, 2017.

The adopted changes will reduce the regulatory burden on industry, while ensuring both personal and community safety.

The amendments to Statewide Rule 28 adjust the methodology regarding deliverability testing for gas wells to minimize the frequency of such tests, thereby reducing associated costs to industry.

An operator is still required to conduct a deliverability test in the following situations:

- (1) At initial completion of the well;
- (2) At recompletion of the well into a different field;
- (3) At reclassification of an oil well to a gas well;
- (4) When an inactive well is returned to production;
- (5) When the well is completed in a regulatory field for which the allocation formula is based in whole or in part on the downhole pressure of the well;
- (6) When necessary to reinstate an allowable; and
- (7) When required by Commission order, special field rule, or any other Commission rule.

Additionally, the Commission has adopted revisions to Form G-10 and instructions to allow a filer of the form to calculate the Shut-In Wellhead (SIWH) Pressure. The Form G-10 has been modified to include a check box allowing the operator to indicate if the SIWH pressure was calculated.

If you have questions regarding these changes, please contact the Well Compliance Section of the Oil and Gas Division by email at protection-nc-exact-square-red or phone at 512-463-6975 for assistance.

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