## BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF PRONGHORN PETROLEUM JOINT VENTURE FOR FAILURE TO PAY THE ANNUAL INJECTION FEE FOR THE HALMANS-FEDERAL 1-26 WELL LOCATED IN SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 59 EAST, FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARM 36.22.1423

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 3-A-2018** 

Pronghorn Petroleum Joint Venture (Pronghorn) is the operator of the Halmans-Federal 1-26 salt water disposal well located in the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 26, T9N-59E, Fallon County, Montana.

In accordance with ARM 36.22.1423, a \$200 annual injection well fee is due for each permitted injection well.

At the April 18, 2018, business meeting, staff reported that Pronghorn has not paid the annual injection fee that was due on January 31, 2018. Staff made several attempts to contact the operator. At this meeting, the Board assessed Pronghorn a \$100 late fee for failure to submit its injection well payment prior to the deadline.

As of June 13, 2018, Pronghorn has not paid the outstanding \$300 injection fee and penalty.

Staff recommended a \$1,000 fine be assessed to Pronghorn for its failure to pay the annual injection fee for its permitted injection well and the late fee previously assessed for nonpayment.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Pronghorn is fined \$1,000 for failure to pay the injection well fee and the late fee. The total due in injection well fees and penalties is now \$1,300.

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018

Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation

James W. Halvorson, Administrator