

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

IN THE MATTER OF TOI OPERATING MOERMAN 14-30  
WELL (API # 25-109-21053) LOCATED IN TOWNSHIP 18  
NORTH, RANGE 59 EAST, WIBAUX COUNTY, MONTANA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 4-A-2019

TOI Operating (TOI) is the operator the Moerman 14-30 well, API # 25-109-21053, located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 30, T18N-R59E, Wibaux County, Montana. It was brought to the Board's attention that the lease covering this well was terminated during 2014.

On December 17, 2018, a certified letter was sent to TOI requesting a plan and timeline for the plugging and abandonment of the well.

On January 9, 2019, Mr. Lenny Carver emailed staff that TOI would begin plugging of the well by May 15, 2019. Mr. Carver did not submit the required Sundry Notice for the proposed well abandonment work. Multiple certified letters were sent to TOI requesting the Sundry Notice. No Sundry Notice was received.

On May 6, 2019, Mr. Carver called and stated TOI does not have the funds to plug the well.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that TOI must begin the process of plugging the Moerman 14-30 well by the July 11, 2019, hearing application deadline. Failure will result in TOI being ordered to show cause at the August 15, 2019, public hearing, for why they should not be required to immediately plug and abandon the well.

Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019

Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation

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James W. Halvorson, Administrator