

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ELENBURG EXPLORATION,  
INC. MEISSNER 11-14 WELL (API # 25-051-21588)  
LOCATED IN TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST,  
LIBERTY COUNTY, MONTANA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 4-A-2021

Elenburg Exploration, Inc. (Elenburg) is the bonded operator of record for the Meissner 11-14, API # 25-051-21588, located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 14, T29N-R6E in Liberty County, Montana. This well has been shut-in for over 10 years.

According to the Montana Secretary of State's website, Elenburg had a name change to Capstar Drilling, Inc. (Capstar). Capstar is the responsible party of the well.

On September 23, 2019, an intent to abandon sundry notice from Elenburg / CapStar for the Meissner 11-14 well was received. Since that time, the Meissner 11-14 well remains unplugged.

On February 8, 2021, a certified letter was sent to Elenburg requesting a schedule of abandonment for the inactive Meissner 11-14 well. The deadline for response was April 7, 2021. The certified letter was returned as undeliverable.

On March 30, 2021, staff spoke with Chris Ellison, CapStar's general manager. Mr. Ellison claims the well was transferred to the landowner. The Board has no record of this transfer in its files.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Capstar Drilling, Inc., FKA Elenburg Exploration, Inc. must show cause at the June 10, 2021, public hearing for why it should not immediately plug and abandon the Meissner 11-14, API # 25-051-21588, located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 14, T29N-R6E in Liberty County, Montana.

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2021

Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation

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James W. Halvorson, Administrator