

Empire North Dakota

- Empire Originally appeared in front of the Board for a CHOP request in June 2019 for 18 producing wells, nine of which had been shut in for more than two years and one injection well. Empire testified it had plans to reactivate the Curtis Hunter A-1, which to date it hasn't.
- Empire gave an update in June 2020 of its efforts to reduce its plugging liability, at which time it stated it had worked on seven shut in wells and planned to plug one well soon.
- Empire appeared again in front of the Board for a one well CHOP in June 2022. At this time Empire testified it planned to work on the two Lien shut in wells over the summer (has not happened). The CHOP was approved with request that an update be given at the December 2022 business meeting.
- Empire has 19 producing wells on a \$50,000 multiple well bond, nine of which have been shut in more than two years and one injection well on a \$10,000 UIC single well bond.
- Empire has submitted two intents to recomplete shut in wells in 2022, with no subsequent reports submitted indicating any work has been done.
- To date, Empire has not reactivated, plugged, or filed any intents to abandon any of its shut-in wells.
- Have had surface owner complaints for messy locations and weed issues.

Shut-In Wells by Operator

12/6/2022

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851	A		Wells	SI	%
Empire North Dakota LLC			/ Well	20	9 45%

T1	UIC Single Well Bond	\$10,000	\$10,000.00	1	0	0%
M1	Multiple Well Bond	\$50,000	\$2,631.58	19	9	47%

SI Two to Five Years	SI Five to Ten Years	SI Greater than Ten Years	Total
0	6	3	9

851/M1	Multiple Well Bond					<i>Last Non-Zero</i>		
851 M1	083-22989	Lien 5	22N-59E-1	NE SW	2338 FSL, 1398 FWL	SI	OIL	1/31/2013
851 M1	083-22988	Lien 4	22N-59E-1	NE SW	2351 FSL, 1431 FWL	SI	OIL	5/31/2013
851 M1	083-21194	C. S. Lien 1	22N-60E-7	NE NE	660 FNL, 660 FEL	SI	OIL	8/31/2012
851 M1	083-21425	Ullman 2	24N-58E-13	SW NW	2200 FNL, 800 FWL	SI	OIL	11/30/2013
851 M1	083-21032	Henderson 13-24	24N-58E-13	NE SW	1421 FSL, 1964 FWL	TA	OIL	9/30/2013
851 M1	083-21013	Christiansen B-1	25N-58E-14	SE NE	1980 FNL, 660 FEL	TA	OIL	1/31/1995
851 M1	083-21008	Curtis Hunter A-1	25N-58E-14	NE SE	1980 FSL, 660 FEL	SI	OIL	7/31/2000
851 M1	083-21014	Vanderhoof C-1	25N-59E-18	NE SW	1830 FSL, 1974 FWL	SI	OIL	2/28/2005
851 M1	083-21009	Vanderhoof B-1	25N-59E-18	SW NW	1980 FNL, 660 FWL	SI	OIL	1/31/2012

1 Operator(s) Included in Report



Young Farms

13705 County Road 351

Fairview, Montana 59221

December 5, 2022

To: Board of Oil & Gas Conservation

From: Loren Young

I'm writing to request your assistance in getting Empire North Dakota to clean up or reclaim their two well sites, Vanderhoof B-1 and Vanderhoof C-1 on Section 18-25-59 Richland County. Empire ND has made minor attempts to control the weeds, but have not improved the locations. Sheet of tin and insulation from the locations blow into our adjoining fields and get caught up in the air seeders and combines. The locations are alive with mice. These two sites are a disgrace to the oil industry.

As you will see from the attached pictures, these two well sites are a tremendous eye sores. If they are not going to produce oil, please reclaim the sites.

I have attempted to speak with representatives, and am willing to visit with them regarding the sites.

If there is anything the Board of Oil & Gas can do to enforce a reclamation of the Empire North Dakota wells, I would appreciate it.

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

IN THE MATTER OF EMPIRE NORTH DAKOTA LLC AND
ITS PROGRESS TO REDUCE ITS PLUGGING LIABILITY

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 13-A-2022

Empire North Dakota LLC (Empire) appeared at the June 13, 2019, public hearing regarding the acquisition of 18 producing wells, nine of which had been shut in for more than two years, and one injection well. Empire testified that it planned to reactivate the Curtis Hunter A-1 well.

At the June 24, 2020, business meeting, Empire testified that it had worked on seven shut-in wells in the past year and planned to plug one well.

Empire appeared at the June 16, 2022, public hearing regarding a one well acquisition. Empire testified it planned to work on the Lien #4 and #5 shut in wells over the summer. The transfer was approved with the request that an update to given at the December 2022 business meeting.

As of the December 7, 2022, business meeting, Empire has not reactivated, plugged, or filed any intents to abandon any of its shut-in wells. The shut-in well count remains the same as when Empire acquired the wells in 2019.

There has been a recent surface owner complaint regarding messy locations and weed issues.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Empire North Dakota LLC is to appear at the Board's February 2, 2023, public hearing to provide an update of its actions taken to reduce its plugging liability.

Dated this 7th day of December, 2022

Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation

Benjamin Jones, Administrator

MONTANA BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
 FINANCIAL STATEMENT
 As of 11/30/22
 Fiscal Year 2023: Percent of Year Elapsed - 42%

		Budget	Expends	%	Remaining
Regulatory	Personal Services	1,254,273	458,118	37	796,155
UIC	Personal Services	274,198	116,130	42	158,068
	Total	1,528,471	574,248	38	954,223
Regulatory	Equipment & Assets	46,371	-	-	46,371
UIC	Equipment & Assets	10,179	-	-	10,179
	Total	56,550	-	-	56,550
Regulatory	Operating Expenses:				
	Contracted Services	165,870	38,123	23	127,747
	Supplies & Materials	49,938	19,613	39	30,325
	Communication	58,303	15,704	27	42,599
	Travel	34,276	5,385	16	28,891
	Rent	8,185	408	5	7,777
	Utilities	19,762	4,700	24	15,062
	Repair/Maintenance	33,292	15,104	45	18,188
	Other Expenses	23,979	8,933	37	15,046
	Total Operating Expenses	393,605	107,970	27	285,635
UIC	Operating Expenses:				
	Contracted Services	27,432	7,049	26	20,383
	Supplies & Materials	10,962	3,017	28	7,945
	Communication	12,798	2,805	22	9,993
	Travel	7,524	1,182	16	6,342
	Rent	1,797	90	5	1,707
	Utilities	4,338	683	16	3,655
	Repair/Maintenance	7,308	2,616	36	4,692
	Other Expenses	5,264	1,961	37	3,303
	Total Operating Expenses	77,423	19,402	25	58,021
	Total	471,028	127,371	27	343,657
Regulatory	Debt Services	15,163	6,318	42	8,845
UIC	Debt Services	3,329	1,387	42	1,942
	Total	18,492	7,705	42	10,787

	Budget	Expends	%	Remaining
Carryforward FY21				
Personal Services	55,270	-	0	55,270
Operating Expenses	55,270	-	0	55,270
Equipment & Assets	55,271	-	0	55,271
Total	165,811	-	0	165,811

Funding Breakout	2022 Total Budget	2022 Total Expends	%
State Special	2,074,541	709,324	34
Federal 2022 UIC (10-1-2021 to 9-30-2022)	128,000	128,000	100
Federal 2023 UIC (10-1-2022 to 9-30-2023)	107,879	-	0
Total	2,310,420	837,324	36

REVENUE INTO STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT

	FY 23	FY 22
Oil & Gas Production Tax	\$ -	\$ 4,378,844
Oil Production Tax		3,920,682
Gas Production Tax		458,163
Drilling Permit Fees	5,875	14,250
UIC Permit Fees	-	237,800
Interest on Investments	26,819	11,240
Copies of Documents	59	965
Miscellaneous Reimbursements	-	16,375
TOTAL	\$ 32,753	\$ 4,659,474
Account Balance	\$ 5,228,850	

REVENUE INTO DAMAGE MITIGATION ACCOUNT

	FY 23	FY 22
RIT Investment Earnings:	-	\$ 318,467
July	-	-
August	-	27,126
September	-	20,838
October	-	23,519
November	-	27,779
December	-	20,564
January	-	24,103
February	-	28,189
March	-	20,008
April	-	26,853
May	-	28,372
June	-	71,115
Bond Forfeitures:	10,000	150,251
Interest on Investments	2,952	714
TOTAL	\$ 12,952	\$ 469,431
Account Balance	\$ 474,785	

REVENUE INTO GENERAL FUND FROM FINES

		FY 23
GAS MANAGEMENT SERVICES LLC	7/12/2022	130
DANIEL WINE	7/14/2022	70
YELLOWSTONE PETROLEUMS INC	7/19/2022	75
BRAINSTORM ENERGY INC	7/21/2022	210
HAWLEY MERRILL	7/21/2022	60
RIM ROCK COLONY INC	7/21/2022	130
MISC OIL CO	7/21/2022	70
R AND A OIL INC	8/3/2022	120
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SONKAR INC	8/3/2022	60
BLACK GOLD ENERGY RICHLAND FACILITY INC	8/19/2022	120
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MANECKE ANDRIA	8/31/2022	200
BLACK GOLD ENERGY RICHLAND FACILITY INC	8/31/2022	2,000
HAWLEY OIL LLP	9/16/2022	250
HOFFLAND JAMES D	9/16/2022	70
BRANDON OIL / BRANDON BILL	10/19/2022	70
BRAINSTORM ENERGY INC	11/4/2022	210
D&A WATER DISPOSAL LLC / WYRICK DONALD	11/4/2022	180
CROWN EXPLORATION II LTD	11/14/2022	1,600
TOTAL		\$ 5,865

DAMAGE MITIGATION CONTRACTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Authorized Amt</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u>
P&R TOI MT AG Station 28-41 PA Well	\$ 61,000	\$ 13,891	\$ 47,109	Under Contract	12/31/2022
TOTAL	\$ 61,000	\$ 13,891	\$ 47,109		

CONTRACTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Authorized Amt</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u>
Agency Legal Services 2023	\$ 70,000	\$ 22,115	\$ 47,885	Under Contract	6/30/2023
Billings Janitorial	19,415	11,468	7,947	Under Contract	9/30/2023
Billings Lawn and Snow Removal	24,000	12,844	11,156	Under Contract	9/30/2023
TOTAL	\$ 113,415	\$ 46,427	\$ 66,988		

**Agency Legal Services
Expenditure Breakout**

<u>Case</u>	<u>Amt Spent</u>
BOGC Duties	\$ 8,677
Pheonix Capital	13,438
Total	\$ 22,115

**Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation
Summary of Bond Activity**

EXHIBIT 4

10/12/2022 Through 12/6/2022

Approved

Becker, Earl W. and Blanche Hardin MT	918 D1	Approved	12/2/2022
		Amount:	\$5,000.00
		Purpose:	Domestic Well Bond
Certificate of Deposit	\$5,000.00	LITTLE HORN STATE BANK	ACT
Chaco Energy Company Denver CO	125 T1	Approved	11/10/2022
		Amount:	\$10,000.00
		Purpose:	UIC Single Well Bond
Certificate of Deposit	\$10,000.00	FIRST INTERSTATE BANK	ACT
Chaco Energy Company Denver CO	125 M1	Approved	11/10/2022
		Amount:	\$50,000.00
		Purpose:	Multiple Well Bond
Certificate of Deposit	\$50,000.00	FIRST INTERSTATE BANK	ACT
Global Helium (USA) Corp. North Las Vegas NV	917 G1	Approved	10/12/2022
		Amount:	\$10,000.00
		Purpose:	Single Well Bond
Certificate of Deposit	\$10,000.00	Bank of Plentywood	ACT
Thor Resources USA, LLC Calgary AB	732 G6	Approved	11/22/2022
		Amount:	\$10,000.00
		Purpose:	Single Well Bond
Certificate of Deposit	\$10,000.00	FIRST STATE BANK OF SHELBY	ACT

Canceled

Bowline Energy LLC Denver CO	891 T1	Canceled	11/22/2022
		Amount:	\$10,000.00
		Purpose:	UIC Single Well Bond
Bowline Energy LLC Denver CO	891 M1	Canceled	11/22/2022
		Amount:	\$50,000.00
		Purpose:	Multiple Well Bond
Running Foxes Petroleum, Inc. Centennial CO	873 G2	Canceled	10/12/2022
		Amount:	\$5,000.00
		Purpose:	Single Well Bond
Weil Oil LLC Richmond VA	748 G1	Canceled	10/12/2022
		Amount:	\$10,000.00
		Purpose:	Single Well Bond

Forfeiture Ordered

Butler Petroleum LLC Van Alstyne TX	816 G1	Forfeiture Ordered	10/13/2022
		Amount:	\$10,000.00
		Purpose:	Single Well Bond
Certificate of Deposit	\$10,000.00	FIRST INTERSTATE BANK	ACT

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10/12/2022 Through 12/6/2022

Released

Chaco Energy Company Denver CO	125 G4	Released Amount: Purpose:	11/10/2022 \$10,000.00 Single Well Bond
Chaco Energy Company Denver CO	125 G3	Released Amount: Purpose:	11/10/2022 \$10,000.00 Single Well Bond

Incident Report

EXHIBIT 5

Company	Responsibility	Date	Incident	Oil Released	Water Released	Source	Contained	Latitude	Longitude	County	T-R-S
Legacy Reserves Operating LP	BOG	10/15/2022	Spill or Release	3 Barrels	17 Barrels	Well Head	No	48.62551	-104.07721	Sheridan	33N-58E-12 NWSW
Kraken Operating, LLC	BOG	10/16/2022	Spill or Release	10 Barrels	1500 Barrels	Other	Yes	47.89524	-104.12822	Richland	25N-59E-29 NENW
Denbury Onshore, LLC	VAR	10/18/2022	Spill or Release		2000 Barrels	Tank or Tank Battery	No	46.62889	-104.45389	Fallon	10N-58E-8 SWSE
True Oil LLC	BOG	10/25/2022	Complaint			Tank or Tank Battery	No	48.16556	-104.50776	Roosevelt	28N-56E-20 SENE
Empire North Dakota LLC	BOG	10/27/2022	Spill or Release		268 Barrels	Tank or Tank Battery	Yes	47.69809	-104.08484	Richland	22N-59E-1 SWNE
Denbury Onshore, LLC	BOG	10/31/2022	Spill or Release	20 Gallons	300 Barrels	Flow Line - Injection	Yes	46.11417	-104.05111	Fallon	4N-52E-8 SWNW
Butler Petroleum LLC	BOG	11/1/2022	Complaint		400 Barrels	Tank or Tank Battery	Yes	48.24010	-105.12347	Roosevelt	29N-51E-29 SWNW
Poplar Resources LLC	FED	11/4/2022	Spill or Release	10 Barrels	40 Barrels	Flow Line - Production	No	48.18857	-105.09418	Roosevelt	28N-51E-11 SWSE
Samson Oil and Gas USA, Inc.	BOG	11/14/2022	Spill or Release	70 Barrels		Treater	Yes	47.74131	-104.41409	Richland	23N-57E-21 SENW
Denbury Onshore, LLC	BOG	11/20/2022	Spill or Release		20 Barrels	Other	No	46.30528	104.14417	Fallon	6N-60E-1 NESW
Continental Resources Inc	BOG	11/23/2022	Spill or Release	3 Barrels		Flare Pit	No	47.76206	-104.82396	Richland	23N-54E-8 SWSW
Denbury Onshore, LLC	BOG	12/5/2022	Spill or Release		200 Barrels	Flow Line - Injection	No	46.32295	-104.20066	Fallon	7N-60E-33 NENE

Docket Summary

124-2022	Empire North Dakota LLC	Authorize the drilling of an additional well, permanent spacing unit, Red River Formation, 26N-57E-34: NE, 35: NW, 1980' FNL, 1980' FEL.	Continued	PSU established under Middle Sioux Pass field rules Continued to February hearing, email received 12/5/22.	<input type="checkbox"/>
125-2022 1-2023 F	CWT Operating, LLC	Vacate Order 102-2015 (Temporary spacing unit, Nisku Formation test well, 28N-51E-22: S/2SW/4, 27: N/2NW/4. One well to be located approximately 505' FSL/ 935' FWL in Section 22). Default docket requested.			<input type="checkbox"/>
126-2022	CWT Operating, LLC	Temporary spacing unit, top of Kibbey to base of Charles Formation test well, 28N-51E-22: SW, 660 setbacks. Apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful completion.			<input type="checkbox"/>
127-2022	Karsted Operating, LLC	Permanent spacing unit, Mission Canyon Formation, 34N-46E-19: S2NW, N2SW (Wilcoxon 19-2).	Continued	TSU established by order 65-1993 Continued to February hearing, email received 12/5/22.	<input type="checkbox"/>
128-2022	Forza Operating, LLC	Permanent spacing unit, Nisku Formation, 35N-1E-34: all (Turner 34-1H).	Continued	Statewide temporary spacing unit Continued to February hearing, email received 12/5/22.	<input type="checkbox"/>
129-2022	Denbury Onshore, LLC	Convert the Cabin Creek CH31-17SH, 10N-58E-17: NWNE (API # 025-23098) to an enhanced recovery injection well, Madison Formation.	Default		<input type="checkbox"/>
130-2022	Montalban Oil & Gas Operations, Inc.	Change of operator of 39 wells from Croft Petroleum Co to Montalban Oil & Gas Operations, Inc.			<input type="checkbox"/>
115-2022	Forza Operating, LLC	Permanent spacing unit, Nisku Formation, 35N-1E-34: W2W2 (Turner 34-1H).		Statewide temporary spacing unit	<input type="checkbox"/>
118-2022	Hydra MT LLC	Approval to drill, Class II SWD Injection well (Leonardo 18-1H SWD), Dakota Formation, 25N-59E-18: NW NE.	Default		<input type="checkbox"/>
131-2022	D&A Water Disposal LLC	Show Cause: failure to file reports and pay administrative fees.	Dismissed	The delinquent reports/fee was received. Docket administratively dismissed in accordance with policy.	<input type="checkbox"/>
132-2022	Seymour, James & Lorraine	Show Cause: why its plugging and reclamation bond should not be forfeited for failure to begin to plug and abandon its State 8-8 well, API # 25-101-22239, located in the W½SE¼NE¼ of Section 8, T37N-R4W, Toole County, Montana, prior to the December 8, 2022, public hearing.			<input type="checkbox"/>

120-2022	Apex Energy LLC	Show Cause: why penalties should not be considered for failure to remedy the field violations.	Dismissed	<i>Weed control plan submitted, docket dismissed.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
122-2022	Genesis ST Operating LLC	Show Cause: why penalties should not be considered for failure to remedy the field violations.	Dismissed	<i>Weed control plan submitted, docket dismissed.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>

ALL APPLICATIONS, 12/08/2022

Docket	Applicant	Status	Request
124-2022	Empire North Dakota LLC	Continued	Well Density
125-2022	CWT Operating, LLC		Vacate Order
126-2022	CWT Operating, LLC		Temp. Spacing
127-2022	Karsted Operating, LLC	Continued	Spacing
128-2022	Forza Operating, LLC	Continued	Spacing
129-2022	Denbury Onshore, LLC	Default	Class II Permit
130-2022	Montalban Oil & Gas Operations, Inc.		Change of Operator
115-2022	Forza Operating, LLC		Spacing
118-2022	Hydra MT LLC	Default	Class II Permit
131-2022	D&A Water Disposal LLC	Dismissed	Show-Cause
132-2022	Seymour, James & Lorraine		Show-Cause
120-2022	Apex Energy LLC	Dismissed	Show-Cause
122-2022	Genesis ST Operating LLC	Dismissed	Show-Cause

APPLICATIONS TO HEAR, 12/08/2022

(In Order of Hearing)

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132-2022	Seymour, James & Lorraine		Show-Cause

DEFAULT DOCKET, 12/08/2022

Docket	Applicant	Status	Request
118-2022	Hydra MT LLC	Default	Class II Permit
129-2022	Denbury Onshore, LLC	Default	Class II Permit

Inactive Wells, Phase 1 - From 12/2018 Current Actions

CoName	Total_Wells	Last_Inj-Prod	
Beartooth Energy, LLC	4	9/30/2014	Certified Letter sent on 11/10/2022 regarding 2 wells. Response received. Plans to plug 2 wells, sell other 2. 1 Fed well bond, 2 single well bonds of \$10,000, and 1 single well bond of \$5,000.
Brandon Oil Company	2	11/30/2015	Certified Letter sent on 11/10/2022. Response received. Plan to plug wells in 2023. \$10,000 blanket bond covering the two wells.
Grassy Butte LLC	2	4/30/2014	Inspection performed on 11/10/2022, email sent on 11/14/2022 to Joel Young-No Response. Sending certified mail on 12/9/2022 for updates and actions on locations.
Cypress Energy Partners - Sheridan SWD, L	1	7/31/2013	Certified Letter sent on 11/10/2022. Response received. Request T/A status as operator has multiple parties interested in purchase. Single well bond of \$10,000.
Fairways Exploration & Production, LLC	1	3/31/2014	Certified Letter sent on 11/10/2022, no response. \$50,000 multiple well bond. Recommend Show Cause for February 2, 2023.
Harvest Time Oil, Inc.	1		Family member wants to bond well domestically around January 2023.
North Range Exploration, LLC	1		Request for completion data for records on 11/10/2022, No response. Not registered with SOS, Involuntary Revocation November 2019. Recommend show cause for Completion records of Pillars 32-2, API #25-111-21276. Recommend Show Cause for February 2, 2023 hearing.
Rimrock Oil Company	1	1/31/2003	Delinquent reporting letters sent 12/5/2022 to Lyon. Inactive well letter to be sent to Rimrock week of 12/12/2022. Unsure of agreement between the two groups at this time. Recommend change of operator and bonding to be posted by new operator if determined by staff before February 2nd, 2023 then show cause will be determined.
Hofland, James D.	5		Certified letter sent on 9/12/2022 to P&A wells. Contact from Kym Hofland has limited intent to get wells up and running at this time. Email sent on 11/29/2022 asking for plans and timelines for well work to be done. Initiate contact week of 12/12/2022 with deadline of next business meeting to fulfill request. 3-\$1500 individual well bonds and 1-\$3000 well bond covering 2 wells.
Mystique Resources Company	1		Letter sent on 9/30/2022, response received from operator on 10/10/2022. Mystique request board to take over plugging of well and forfeit their bond. Single well bond of \$10,000.
Interstate Exploration, LLC	3		Monitoring 3 Spud wells up to the February 2023 Business Meeting. Waiting on contact from operator for plans of well.
Total Wells	22		

Inactive Wells, Phase 1 - From 12/2018 Misc. Actions

CoName	CoNo	Stat	Total_Wells	Last_Inj-Prod
Greylock Conventional, LLC	831	A	14	1/31/2016 All wells transferred
Stewart, Lynn	7220	A	14	7/31/1991 Most wells transferred to Well Done.
Fort Worth Operating Company, LLC	619	A	1	Transferred well
Greylock Production, LLC	832	A	1	2/29/2016 Transferred well
Foster, Charles P. And Smith, Loren E.	2620	A	1	5/31/2007 Well is producing
Armstrong, Ken D.	431	A	1	Abd. 1959 - Check with Shelby
Cremer Energy Inc.	741	A	1	Continue to monitor
Heavy Water Haulers Inc.	663	A	1	7/31/2004 Plans to P&A, monitoring
Herco Exploration LLC	406	A	1	9/30/2008 Waiting on service company to P&A
L & H Resources LLP	677	A	1	Surface reclaimed
Larslan Water Disposal	4253	A	1	4/30/2009 ILW
Lustre Salt Water Disp, Vernon R. Justice Db	3965	A	1	5/31/2006 ILW
Pinnacle Ranch, Inc.	294	A	1	9/30/2012 Landowner bonded well for conversion to water well.
Williston Industrial Supply Corporation	8488	A	1	7/31/2009 Surface reclaimed
Fulton Fuel Company	2755	A	19	7/31/1995 Company Aware Working on issues
Hawley-Northrup	3380	A	4	4/30/2013 Pre-regulatory
Total Wells			63	

Inactive Wells, Phase 1 - From 12/2018 Plugged

CoName	CoNo	Stat	Total_Wells	Last_Inj-Prod	Status
A & G Oil & Gas	8160	A	4		Operator plugged
Miami Oil Producers, Inc.	4945	A	3		Operator plugged
Daube Company, The	1902	A	2		Operator plugged/transferred
Grynberg, Jack J.	3117	A	2		Operator plugged
Elenburg Exploration, Inc.	2160	A	1		Operator plugged
EnCana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.	5385	A	1		Operator plugged
Zeiders Bros. Oil & Gas Company, L.L.C.	688	A	1		Operator plugged
Iofina Natural Gas, Inc.	572	A	34	10/31/2010	Operator plugged
Pride Energy Company	190	A	5	10/31/2014	Operator plugged
Fulco	2750	A	1		Operator plugged
Young Sanders E&P, LLC	778	A	1		Operator plugged

Total Wells **55**

Inactive Wells, Phase 1 - From 12/2018 Bond Forfeited

CoName	CoNo	Stat	Total_Wells	Last_Inj-Prod	
Compass Energy, Inc.	229	A	1		Bond forfeited
Molen Drilling Co., Inc.	5081	A	1		Bond forfeited
TDW Gas Processing, LLC	476	A	1	10/31/1988	Bond forfeited
UnionTown Energy Montana LLC	670	A	1		Bond forfeited
Forward Energy, LLC	492	A	3	5/31/2011	Bond forfeited
Powder River Gas, LLC	288	A	3		Bond forfeited
Janssen Gas	3865	A	2		Bond forfeited
Powers Energy Inc.	6187	A	1		Bond forfeited, Issues with Bank having no record of Bond.
Seymour, James & Lorraine	334	A	1	9/30/2012	Potential bond forfeiture
Butler Petroleum LLC	816	A	1		Bond forfeited
Total Wells			15		

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

IN THE MATTER OF FAIRWAYS EXPLORATION &
PRODUCTION, LLC STATES 1-21 WELL (API #25-099-
21314) LOCATED IN TOWNSHIP 27N, RANGE 8W,
TETON COUNTY, MONTANA.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 14-A-2022

Fairways Exploration & Production, LLC is the operator of the States 1-21 well, API # 25-099-21314, located in the NW¼NW¼ of Section 21, T27N-R8W, Teton County, Montana. This well has been inactive for two or more years.

On November 10, 2022, a certified letter was mailed to Fairways Exploration & Production, LLC requesting a plan and schedule of abandonment for the inactive well or justification with supporting documentation for leaving the inactive well unplugged. This request was made in accordance with ARM 36.22.1307. No response was received.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Fairways Exploration & Production, LLC must show cause at the February 2, 2023, public hearing, as to why it should not immediately plug and abandon its States 1-21 well in Teton County, Montana.

Dated this 7th day of December, 2022

Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation

Benjamin Jones, Administrator

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

IN THE MATTER OF NORTH RANGE EXPLORATION,
LLC FAILURE TO SUBMIT COMPLETION DATA FOR
THE PILLARS 32-2 WELL (API #25-111-21276) LOCATED
IN TOWNSHIP 3S, RANGE 25E, YELLOWSTONE
COUNTY, MONTANA.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 15-A-2022

North Range Exploration, LLC (North Range) is the operator of the Pillars 32-2 well, API # 25-111-21276, located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 32, T3S-R25E, Yellowstone County, Montana. This well was spud in 2013.

Board staff has made multiple requests for the missing well data required by ARM 36.22.1013. ARM 36.22.1013 requires an operator of a well to file completion reports, well logs, analyses, reports and surveys within 30 days of the well completion. No response was received to these letters.

On November 10, 2022, a certified letter was sent to North Range with a December 2, 2022, deadline to submit the completion data, or this matter would be brought up at the December 7, 2022, Board Business meeting. No response was received.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that North Range Exploration, LLC must show cause at the February 2, 2023, public hearing, as to why it should not have to file missing completion data for the Pillars 32-2 well in Yellowstone County, Montana.

Dated this 7th day of December, 2022

Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation

Benjamin Jones, Administrator

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

IN THE MATTER OF MYSTIQUE RESOURCES
COMPANY MURRAY 1 WELL (API #25-091-21621)
LOCATED IN TOWNSHIP 33N, RANGE 55E, SHERIDAN
COUNTY, MONTANA.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 16-A-2022

Mystique Resources Company (Mystique) is the operator of the Murray 1 well, API # 25-091-21621, located in the S½N½ of Section 1, T33N-R55E, Sheridan County, Montana. This well has been inactive for two or more years.

On September 30, 2022, a certified letter was mailed to Mystique requesting a plan and schedule of abandonment for the inactive well or justification with supporting documentation for leaving the inactive well unplugged. This request was made in accordance with ARM 36.22.1307.

On October 10, 2022, Mystique responded that due to its financial conditions it is unable to find a contractor to plug the well. In the event Mystique is unable to plug the well, it requested the Board plug the well, forfeit its \$10,000 plugging and reclamation bond, and charge it for the balance remaining, if any.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Mystique Resources Company must show cause at the February 2, 2023, public hearing, as to why it should not immediately plug and abandon its Murray 1 well in Sheridan County, Montana.

Dated this 7th day of December, 2022

Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation

Benjamin Jones, Administrator