

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

IN THE MATTER OF FORZA OPERATING, LLC FAILURE TO  
MEET THE SUNDRY NOTICE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL  
REQUIREMENTS FOR THREE WELLS IN TOOLE COUNTY,  
MONTANA.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 1-A-2023

Forza Operating, LLC (Forza) is the operator of the following three wells in Toole County, Montana that are in violation of the conditions of approval listed on the Sundry Notice filed on October 22, 2022. The conditions of approval stated that no flowback fluid from the wellbore were to be released into the fresh water frac pits.

Grinde 29-1H well, API # 101-24284, located in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 29, T35N-R1E  
Grinde 20-1H well, API # 101-24285, located in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 20, T35N-R1E  
Turner 27-1H well, API # 101-24286, located in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 27, T35N-R1E

On January 5, 2023, a certified letter was sent to Forza detailing the violation. Notice was also given in that letter that Forza would be discussed at the February 1, 2023, business meeting.

On January 31, 2023, Forza responded that fluids from the pits will be vacuumed once weather allows and properly disposed of. Forza anticipates completing the cleanup by the April 12, 2023, business meeting. Updates will be provided to board staff.

Board staff recommended a penalty of \$500 per well violation be assessed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Forza is fined \$1,500 for failure to meet the Sundry Notice conditions and approval requirements.

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2023

Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation

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Benjamin Jones, Administrator