

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

IN THE MATTER OF WALTER S. FEES, JR. & SON OIL &
GAS AND ITS STATE 2-36 (API # 071-22642) AND FEE 1-31
(API # 071-22696) INACTIVE WELLS IN PHILLIPS
COUNTY, MONTANA.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 5-A-2024

Walter S. Fees, Jr. & Son Oil & Gas (Walter) is the bonded operator of the State 2-36 well, API # 071-22642, located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 36, T37N-31E and the Fee 1-31 well, API # 071-22696, located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 31, T33N-32E, Phillips County, Montana. These wells have been inactive for two or more years.

On January 31, 2024, a certified letter was mailed to Walter requesting a plan and schedule of abandonment for the inactive wells or justification with supporting documentation for leaving the inactive wells unplugged. This request was made in accordance with ARM 36.22.1307. No response was received.

On June 3, 2024, a follow up letter was sent. This letter was delivered on June 6, 2024. As of the June 12, 2024, business meeting, no response has been received.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Walter must submit its plans for its inactive wells by July 11, 2024, hearing application deadline or show cause at the August 15, 2024, public hearing, as to why it should not immediately plug and abandon its inactive wells in Phillips County, Montana.

Dated this 12th day of June, 2024

Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation

Benjamin Jones, Administrator