

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

IN THE MATTER OF YELLOWSTONE PETROLEUMS, INC.  
INACTIVE WELLS IN CARBON, GLACIER, PONDERA,  
AND TOOLE COUNTIES, MONTANA.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 12-A-2024

Yellowstone Petroleum, Inc. (Yellowstone) is the bonded operator of 36 producing wells and two injection wells in Carbon, Glacier, Pondera, and Toole Counties, Montana. Of the 36 producing wells, 31 wells have been inactive for two or more years.

At the April 11, 2024, public hearing, Yellowstone testified that it would plug and abandon the Essex-Thompson 1 well, API # 25-035-07184, and the Myhre 3-25 well, API # 25-101-21802, before the end of the year. Yellowstone and the Board also agreed upon a plugging and abandonment schedule for its remaining inactive wells should the wells not be reactivated or transferred.

As of October 9, 2024, business meeting, Yellowstone has not transferred, reactivated, plugged, or filed any intents to abandon any of its inactive wells.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Yellowstone must plug and abandon the Essex-Thompson 1 and Myhre 3-25 wells by the January 16, 2025, hearing application deadline or Yellowstone must appear at the February 20, 2025, public hearing and show-cause, if any it has, why additional penalties should not be assessed for failure comply with Board Order 48-2024.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024

Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation

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Benjamin Jones, Administrator