

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

IN THE MATTER OF HESLA OIL, LLC INACTIVE WELLS
IN TOOLE COUNTY, MONTANA.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 9-A-2025

Hesla Oil, LLC (Helsa) is the bonded operator of nine producing wells in Toole County, Montana. These wells have been inactive for two or more years.

On November 1, 2024, a certified letter was mailed to Helsa 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 February 11, 2025, a follow-up certified letter was sent. This letter was signed by the operator on February 27, 2025. No response was received.

Administrative Order 7-A-2025, issued on June 11, 2025, required Helsa to submit its plans and timeline for its inactive wells in Toole County, Montana by July 10, 2025, hearing application deadline. No response was received.

As of the August 13, 2025, business meeting, no response has been received.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Helsa must appear at the October 9, 2025, public hearing and show-cause, if any it has, why it should not immediately plug and abandon its wells Toole County, Montana.

Dated this 13th day of August, 2025

Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation

Benjamin Jones, Administrator