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Tuesday, September 17, 2019  
WELL WORK PLUGGING PERMIT  
Vertical Plugging

WOLF RUN MINING LLC  
100 TYGART DR

GRAFTON, WV 26354

Re: Permit approval for VERA BOYLEN 2  
47-001-01190-00-00

This well work permit is evidence of permission granted to perform the specified well work at the location described on the attached pages and located on the attached plat, subject to the provisions of Chapter 22 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended, and all rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and to any additional specific conditions and provisions outlined in the pages attached hereto. Notification shall be given by the operator to the Oil and Gas Inspector at least 24 hours prior to the construction of roads, locations, and/or pits for any permitted work. In addition, the well operator shall notify the same inspector 24 hours before any actual well work is commenced and prior to running and cementing casing. Spills or emergency discharges must be promptly reported by the operator to 1-800-642-3074 and to the Oil and Gas Inspector.

Upon completion of the plugging well work, the above named operator will reclaim the site according to the provisions of WV Code 22-6-30. Please be advised that form WR-38, Affidavit of Plugging and Filling Well, is to be submitted to this office within 90 days of completion of permitted well work, as should form WR-34 Discharge Monitoring Report within 30 days of discharge of pits, if applicable. Failure to abide by all statutory and regulatory provisions governing all duties and operations hereunder may result in suspension or revocation of this permit and, in addition, may result in civil and/or criminal penalties being imposed upon the operators.

Per 35 CSR 4-5.2.g this permit will expire in two (2) years from the issue date unless permitted well work is commenced. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me at (304) 926- 0450.

James A. Martin  
Chief

Operator's Well Number: VERA BOYLEN 2  
Farm Name: BOYLEN, VERA  
U.S. WELL NUMBER: 47-001-01190-00-00  
Vertical Plugging  
Date Issued: 9/17/2019

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## PERMIT CONDITIONS

West Virginia Code §22-6-11 allows the Office of Oil and Gas to place specific conditions upon this permit. Permit conditions have the same effect as law. Failure to adhere to the specified permit conditions may result in enforcement action.

### CONDITIONS

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1. All pits must be lined with a minimum of 20 mil thickness synthetic liner.
2. In the event of an accident or explosion causing loss of life or serious personal injury in or about the well or while working on the well, the well operator or its contractor shall give notice, stating the particulars of the accident or explosion, to the oil and gas inspector and the Chief within twenty-four (24) hours.
3. Well work activities shall not constitute a hazard to the safety of persons.
4. This well is under a consent order and must be plugged under the terms of that agreement.

1) Date May 15, 2019  
2) Operator's Well No. Vera Boylen #2  
3) API Well No. 47-001 - 01190 P

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS

APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO PLUG AND ABANDON

4) Well Type: Oil \_\_\_\_ / Gas \_\_\_\_ / Liquid injection \_\_\_\_ / Waste disposal \_\_\_\_ /  
(If "Gas, Production \_\_\_\_ or Underground storage \_\_\_\_ ) Deep \_\_\_\_ / Shallow X

5) Location: Elevation 1390' Watershed Simpson Creek  
District Pleasant County Barbour Quadrangle Philippi (545)

6) Well Operator Wolf Run Mining LLC 7) Designated Agent Charles E. Duckworth  
Address 100 Tygart Drive Address 100 Tygart Drive  
Grafton, WV 26354 Grafton, WV 26354

8) Oil and Gas Inspector to be notified Name Kenneth Greynolds  
Address 613 Broad Run Road  
Jane Lew, WV 26378  
9) Plugging Contractor Name Coastal Drilling East, LLC  
Address 130 Meadows Ridge Road  
Mt. Morris, PA 15349

10) Work Order: The work order for the manner of plugging this well is as follows:  
See Exhibit Nos. 1 and 2 and MSHA 101-C Exemption

Wolf Run Mining LLC (47-001-00288)  
Sentinel Mine (MSHA ID# 46-04168)  
MSHA 101-C Docket No. M-2012-002-C

Appropriate coal seam top = 756.40'  
Approximate coal seam bottom = 761.50'

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Notification must be given to the district oil and gas inspector 24 hours before permitted work can commence.

Work order approved by inspector Kenneth L. Greynolds Date 7-2-19

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EXHIBIT NO. 1

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From the experience and technology developed since 1970 in plugging oil and gas wells for mining through, Wolf Run Mining LLC will utilize the following method to plug all future wells.

**SOLID PLUG METHOD**

- ★ a) If active well: clean out to total depth and plug back according to state regulations to a minimum of 200 feet below lowest minable coal seam.
- ~~b) If abandoned well:~~ clean out to first plug 200 feet below lowest minable coal seam.
- c) Circulate through tubing or drill steel an expanding cement plug from a minimum of 200 feet below minable coal seam to a point 100 feet above minable coal. *WILL BE TO SURFACE  
COAL @ 105'-108'*

Circulate through tubing or drill steel from 100 feet above coal seam to surface.

A monument will be installed with API No. and stating "solid plug".





EXHIBIT No. 2

Coastal Drilling East LLC • 130 Meadow Ridge Road, Mt. Morris, PA 15349  
Phone 304-296-1120 Fax 304-413-0061

"A Shaft Drillers International Company"

05/26/2016

Mr. Chuck Duckworth  
Gas Well & Property Manager  
Arch Coal, Inc. – Leer Mine Complex  
100 Tygart Drive  
Grafton, WV 26354

Mr. Duckworth,

Below is the proposed plugging plan we discussed that can be used on wells similar to the wells we have been plugging for the last few years.

Plugging Plan

- Move to site, rig up, mix mud, drill rathole
- Attempt to clean out well to original total depth (TD). *PBTA ≈ 4500'*
- Run cement bond log on 4 1/2" casing to determine top of cement
- Set bottom hole cement plug as required by the WV DEP from TD to top of cement determined by the bond log.
- Tag top of bottom hole plug to insure plug is at correct depth. Re-cement if necessary.
- Cut and pull 4 1/2" casing from the free point determined by the bond log.
- Clean out wellbore to top of remaining 4 1/2" casing
- Run suite of logs to determine casing size, bottom of casing, depth of coal seams, deviation of wellbore and cement bond to casing.
- Cement hole from top of bottom hole plug to a depth within 25' of the bottom of the 8 5/8" casing. *≈ 1000'*
- If necessary cut and pull any free casing.
- Perforate, cut, rip or mill any remaining casing at depths determined by MSHA's 101C Petition.

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- Cement hole from top of intermediate plug to surface using cement required by MSHA's 101C Petition.
- Rig down and set monument as required by WV DEP.

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U.S. Department of Labor

Mine Safety and Health Administration  
 1100 Wilson Boulevard  
 Arlington, Virginia 22209-3939



SEP 30 2013

In the matter of:

Petition for Modification

Wolf Run Mining Company

Sentinel Mine

I. D. No. 46-04168

MSHA 101C  
EXEMPTION

Docket No: M-2012-002-C

PROPOSED DECISION AND ORDER

On January 1, 2012, a petition was filed seeking a modification of the application of 30 CFR 75.1700 to Petitioner's Sentinel Mine located near Buckhannon in Upshur County, West Virginia. The petitioner alleges that the alternative method outlined in the petition will at all times guarantee no less than the same measure of protection afforded by the standard.

On July 3, 2012, MSHA conducted an investigation of the petition and filed a report of their findings and recommendations with the Administrator for Coal Mine Safety and Health. After a careful review of the entire record, including the petition and MSHA's investigative reports and recommendations, this Proposed Decision and Order (PDO) is issued.

Finding of Fact and Conclusion of Law

The alternative method proposed by the Petitioner (as amended by the recommendations of MSHA) will at all times guarantee no less than the same measure of protection afforded the miners under 30 CFR 75.1700:

The Sentinel Mine operates in the Clarion coal seam and the mining height averages approximately 84 inches. The mine has three working sections utilizing continuous miners and produces approximately 8,000 tons of raw coal per day. Oil and gas production in this area includes older wells completed in the salt sands and newer wells that are targeting the Marcellus shale.

On the basis of the petition and the findings of MSHA's investigation, Wolf Run Mining Company, is granted a modification of the application of 30 CFR 75.1700 to its Sentinel Mine.

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ORDER

Under the authority delegated by the Secretary of Labor to the Administrator for Coal Mine Safety and Health, and under § 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977, 30 U.S.C. § 811(c), and 30 C.F.R. Part 44, a modification of the application of 30 C.F.R. § 75.1700 at the Sentinel Mine is hereby:

**GRANTED**, subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. DISTRICT MANAGER APPROVAL REQUIRED

- a. A safety barrier of 300 feet in diameter (150 feet between any mined area and a well) shall be maintained around all oil and gas wells (defined herein to include all active, inactive, abandoned, shut-in, and previously plugged wells, and including water injection wells) until approval to proceed with mining has been obtained from the district manager.
- b. Prior to mining within the safety barrier around any well, the mine operator shall provide to the district manager a sworn affidavit or declaration executed by a company official stating that all mandatory procedures for cleaning out, preparing, and plugging each gas or oil well have been completed as described by the terms and conditions of this order. The affidavit or declaration must be accompanied by all logs described in subparagraphs 2(a)(2) and 2(a)(3) below and any other records described in those subparagraphs which the district manager may request. The district manager will review the affidavit or declaration, the logs and any other records that have been requested, and may inspect the well itself, and will then determine if the operator has complied with the procedures for cleaning out, preparing and plugging each well as described by the terms and conditions of this Order. If the district manager determines that the procedures have been complied with, he will provide his approval, and the mine operator may then mine within the safety barrier of the well, subject to the terms of this Order.

- c. The terms and conditions of this Order apply to all types of coal mining.

2. MANDATORY PROCEDURES FOR CLEANING OUT, PREPARING, PLUGGING AND REPLUGGING OIL OR GAS WELLS

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a. MANDATORY PROCEDURES FOR CLEANING OUT AND PREPARING OIL AND GAS WELLS PRIOR TO PLUGGING OR REPLUGGING

- (1) If the total depth of the well is less than 4,000 feet, the operator shall completely clean out the well from the surface to at least 200 ft. below the base of the lowest mineable coal seam, unless the district manager requires cleaning to a greater depth based on his judgment as to what is required due to the geological strata, or due to the pressure within the well (the operator shall provide the district manager with all information it possesses concerning the geological nature of the strata and the pressure of the well). If the total depth of the well is 4,000 feet, or greater, the operator shall completely clean out the well from the surface to at least 400 feet below the base of the lowest mineable coal seam. The operator shall remove all material from the entire diameter of the well, wall to wall.
- (2) The operator shall prepare down-hole logs for each well. They shall consist of a caliper survey and log(s) suitable for determining the top, bottom, and thickness of all coal seams and potential hydrocarbon producing strata and the location for a bridge plug. The district manager may approve the use of a down-hole camera survey in lieu of down-hole logs. In addition, a journal shall be maintained describing the depth of each material encountered, the nature of each material encountered; bit size and type used to drill each portion of the hole; length and type of each material used to plug the well; length of casing(s) removed, perforated or ripped or left in place, any sections where casing was cut or milled; and other pertinent information concerning cleaning and sealing the well. Invoices, work-orders, and other records relating to all work on the well shall be maintained as part of this journal and provided to MSHA upon request.
- (3) When cleaning out the well as provided for in subparagraph (a)(1), the operator shall make a diligent effort to remove all of the casing in the well. If it is not possible to remove all of the casing, then the operator must take appropriate steps to ensure that the annulus between the casing and between the casings and the well walls are filled with expanding (minimum 0.5% expansion upon setting) cement and contain no voids. If the casing cannot be removed, it must be cut or milled at all mineable coal seam levels. Any casing which remains shall be perforated or ripped. Perforations or rips are required at least every 50 feet from 200 feet (400 feet if the total well depth is 4,000 feet or greater) below the base of the lowest mineable



coal seam up to 100 feet above the uppermost mineable coal seam. If the operator, using a casing bond log, can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the district manager that all annuli in the well are already adequately sealed with cement, then the operator will not be required to perforate or rip the casing for that particular well. When multiple casing and tubing strings are present in the coal horizon(s), any casing which remains shall be ripped or perforated and filled with expanding cement as indicated above. An acceptable casing bond log for each casing and tubing string is needed if used in lieu of ripping or perforating multiple strings.

- (4) If the district manager concludes that the completely cleaned-out well is emitting excessive amounts of gas (potential to cut uncured cement), the operator must place a mechanical bridge plug in the well. It must be placed in a competent stratum at least 200 feet (400 feet if the total well depth is 4,000 feet or greater) below the base of the lowest mineable coal seam, but above the top of the uppermost hydrocarbon-producing stratum, unless the district manager requires a greater distance based on his judgment that it is required due to the geological strata, or due to the pressure within the well (the operator shall provide the district manager with all information it possesses concerning the geological nature of the strata and the pressure of the well). If it is not possible to set a mechanical bridge plug, an appropriately sized packer may be used.
- (5) If the upper-most hydrocarbon-producing stratum is within 300 feet of the base of the lowest mineable coal seam, the operator shall properly place mechanical bridge plugs as described in subparagraph (a)(4) to isolate the hydrocarbon producing stratum from the expanding cement plug. Nevertheless, the operator shall place a minimum of 200 feet (400 feet if the total well depth is 4,000 feet or greater) of expanding cement below the lowest mineable coal seam, unless the district manager requires a greater distance based on his judgment that it is required due to the geological strata, or due to the pressure within the well.

b. MANDATORY PROCEDURES FOR PLUGGING OR REPLUGGING OIL OR GAS WELLS TO THE SURFACE.

After completely cleaning out the well as specified in paragraph 2(a) above, the following procedures shall be used to plug or replug gas or oil wells to the surface:

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(1) The operator shall pump expanding cement slurry down the well to form a plug which runs from at least 200 feet (400 feet if the total well depth is 4,000 feet or greater) below the base of the lowest mineable coal seam (or lower if required by the district manager based on his judgment that a lower depth is required due to the geological strata, or due to the pressure within the well) to the surface. The expanding cement will be placed in the well under a pressure of at least 200 pounds per square inch. Portland cement or a lightweight cement mixture may be used to fill the area from 100 feet above the top of the uppermost mineable coal seam (or higher if required by the district manager based on his judgment that a higher distance is required due to the geological strata, or due to the pressure within the well) to the surface.

(2) The operator shall embed steel turnings or other small magnetic particles in the top of the cement near the surface to serve as a permanent magnetic monument of the well. In the alternative, a 4 1/2 inch or larger casing, set in cement, shall extend at least 36 inches above the ground level with the API well number engraved or welded on the casing. When the hole cannot not be marked with a physical monument (i.e. prime farmland), high-resolution GPS coordinates (one-half meter resolution) are required.

c. MANDATORY PROCEDURES FOR PLUGGING OR REPLUGGING OIL AND GAS WELLS FOR USE AS DEGASIFICATION BOREHOLES.

After completely cleaning out the well as specified in paragraph 2(a) above, the following procedures shall be utilized when plugging or replugging oil or gas wells that are used as degasification boreholes:

(1) The operator shall set a cement plug in the well by pumping an expanding cement slurry down the tubing to provide at least 200 feet (400 feet if the total well depth is 4,000 feet or greater) of expanding cement below the lowest mineable coal seam, unless the district manager requires a greater depth based on his judgment that a greater depth is required due to the geological strata, or due to the pressure within the well. The expanding cement will be placed in the well under a pressure of at least 200 pounds per square inch. The top of the expanding cement shall extend at least 50 feet above the top of the coal seam being mined, unless the district manager requires a greater distance based on his judgment that a greater distance is required due to the geological strata, or due to the pressure within the well.

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- (2) The operator shall securely grout into the bedrock of the upper portion of the degasification well, a suitable casing in order to protect it. The remainder of this well may be cased or uncased.
- (3) The operator shall fit the top of the degasification casing with a wellhead equipped as required by the district manager in the approved ventilation plan. Such equipment may include check valves, shut-in valves, sampling ports, flame arrestor equipment, and security fencing.
- (4) Operation of the degasification well shall be addressed in the approved ventilation plan. This may include periodic tests of methane levels and limits on the minimum methane concentrations that may be extracted.
- (5) After the area of the coal mine that is degassed by a well is sealed or the coal mine is abandoned, the operator must seal degas holes using the following procedures:
  - (i) The operator shall insert a tube to the bottom of the drill hole or, if not possible, to at least 100 feet above the coal seam being mined. Any blockage must be removed to ensure that the tube can be inserted to this depth.
  - (ii) The operator shall set a cement plug in the well by pumping Portland cement or a lightweight cement mixture down the tubing until the well is filled to the surface.
  - (iii) The operator shall embed steel turnings or other small magnetic particles in the top of the cement near the surface to serve as a permanent magnetic monument of the well. In the alternative, a 4 1/2 inch or larger casing, set in cement, shall extend at least 36 inches above the ground level with the API well number engraved or welded on the casing.

d. MANDATORY ALTERNATIVE PROCEDURES FOR PREPARING AND PLUGGING OR REPLUGGING OIL OR GAS WELLS.

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The following provisions apply to all wells which the operator determines, and the MSHA district manager agrees, cannot be completely cleaned out due to damage to the well caused by subsidence, caving or other factors.

(1) The operator shall drill a hole adjacent and parallel to the well, to a depth of at least 200 feet (400 feet if the total well depth is 4,000 feet or greater) below the lowest mineable coal seam, unless the district manager requires a greater depth based on his judgment that a greater depth is required due to the geological strata, or due to the pressure within the well.

(2) The operator shall use a geophysical sensing device to locate any casing which may remain in the well.

(3) If the well contains casing(s), the operator shall drill into the well from the parallel hole. From 10 feet below the coal seam to 10 feet above the coal seam, the operator shall perforate or rip all casings at intervals of at least 5 feet. Beyond this distance, the operator shall perforate or rip at least every 50 feet from at least 200 feet (400 feet if the total well depth is 4,000 feet or greater) below the base of the lowest mineable coal seam up to 100 feet above the seam being mined, unless the district manager requires a greater distance based on his judgment that a greater distance is required due to the geological strata, or due to the pressure within the well. The operator shall fill the annulus between the casings and between the casings and the well wall with expanding (minimum 0.5% expansion upon setting) cement, and shall ensure that these areas contain no voids. If the operator, using a casing bond log, can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the district manager that the annulus of the well is adequately sealed with cement, then the operator will not be required to perforate or rip the casing for that particular well, or fill these areas with cement. When multiple casing and tubing strings are present in the coal horizon(s), any casing which remains shall be ripped or perforated and filled with expanding cement as indicated above. An acceptable casing bond log for each casing and tubing string is needed if used in lieu of ripping or perforating multiple strings.

(4) Where the operator determines, and the district manager agrees, that there is insufficient casing in the well to allow the method outlined in subparagraph (d)(3) to be used, then the operator shall use a horizontal hydraulic fracturing technique to intercept the original well. From at least 200 feet (400 feet if the total well depth is 4,000 feet or greater) below the base of the lowest mineable coal seam to a point at least 50 feet above the seam being mined, the operator shall fracture in at least six places (12 places if the total well depth is 4,000 feet or greater) at intervals to be agreed upon by the operator and the district manager after considering the

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geological strata and the pressure within the well. The operator shall then pump expanding cement into the fractured well in sufficient quantities and in a manner which fills all intercepted voids.

(5) The operator shall prepare down-hole logs for each well. They shall consist of a caliper survey and log(s) suitable for determining the top, bottom, and thickness of all coal seams and potential hydrocarbon producing strata and the location for the bridge plug. The operator may obtain the logs from the adjacent hole rather than the well if the condition of the well makes it impractical to insert the equipment necessary to obtain the log. The district manager may approve the use of a down-hole camera survey in lieu of down-hole logs if in his judgment such logs would not be suitable for obtaining the above-listed data or are impractical to obtain due to the condition of the drill hole. A journal shall be maintained describing the depth of each material encountered, the nature of each material encountered; bit size and type used to drill each portion of the hole; length and type of each material used to plug the well; length of casing(s) removed, perforated or ripped or left in place; and other pertinent information concerning sealing the well. Invoices, work-orders, and other records relating to all work on the well shall be maintained as part of this journal and provided to MSHA upon request.

(6) After the operator has plugged the well as described in subparagraphs (d)(3) and/or (d)(4), the operator shall plug the adjacent hole, from the bottom to the surface, with Portland cement or a lightweight cement mixture. The operator shall embed steel turnings or other small magnetic particles in the top of the cement near the surface to serve as a permanent magnetic monument of the well. In the alternative, a 4 1/2 inch or larger casing, set in cement, shall extend at least 36 inches above the ground level.

A combination of the methods outlined in subparagraphs (d)(3) and (d)(4) may have to be used in a single well, depending upon the conditions of the hole and the presence of casings. The operator and the district manager should discuss the nature of each hole. The district manager may require that more than one method be utilized.

3. MANDATORY PROCEDURES AFTER APPROVAL HAS BEEN GRANTED BY THE DISTRICT MANAGER TO MINE WITHIN THE SAFETY BARRIER, OR TO MINE THROUGH A PLUGGED OR REPLUGGED WELL

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- a. A representative of the operator, a representative of the miners, the appropriate State agency, or the MSHA district manager may request that a conference be conducted prior to mining through any plugged or replugged well. Upon receipt of any such request, the district manager shall schedule such a conference. The party requesting the conference shall notify all other parties listed above within a reasonable time prior to the conference to provide opportunity for participation. The purpose of the conference shall be to review, evaluate, and accommodate any abnormal or unusual circumstance(s) related to the condition of the well or surrounding strata when such conditions are encountered.
- b. The operator shall mine through a well on a shift approved by the district manager. The operator shall notify the district manager and the miners' representative in sufficient time prior to mining through a well in order to provide an opportunity to have representatives present.
- c. When using continuous mining methods, the operator shall install drivage sights at the last open crosscut near the place to be mined to ensure intersection of the well. The drivage sites shall not be more than 50 feet from the well. When using longwall-mining methods, drivage sights shall be installed on 10-foot centers for a distance of 50 feet in advance of the well. The drivage sights shall be installed in the headgate.
- d. The operator shall ensure that fire-fighting equipment including fire extinguishers, rock dust, and sufficient fire hose to reach the working face area of the mine through (when either the conventional or continuous mining method is used) is available and operable during all well mine throughs. The fire hose shall be located in the last open crosscut of the entry or room. The operator shall maintain the water line to the belt conveyor tailpiece along with a sufficient amount of fire hose to reach the farthest point of penetration on the section. When the longwall mining method is used, a hose to the longwall water supply is sufficient.
- e. The operator shall ensure that sufficient supplies of roof support and ventilation materials shall be available and located at the last open crosscut. In addition, emergency plugs and suitable sealing materials shall be available in the immediate area of the well intersection.
- f. On the shift prior to mining through the well, the operator shall service all equipment and check it for permissibility. Water sprays, water pressures and water flow rates used for dust and spark suppression shall be examined and any deficiencies corrected.

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- g. The operator shall calibrate the methane monitor(s) on the longwall, continuous mining machine; or cutting machine and loading machine on the shift prior to mining through the well.
- h. When mining is in progress, the operator shall perform tests for methane with a handheld methane detector at least every 10 minutes from the time that mining with the continuous mining machine or longwall face is within 30 feet of the well until the well is intersected and immediately prior to mining through it. During the actual cutting process, no individual shall be allowed on the return side until the mine through has been completed and the area has been examined and declared safe. All workplace examinations will be conducted on the return side of the shearer while the shearer is idle.
- i. When using continuous or conventional mining methods, the working place shall be free from accumulations of coal dust and coal spillages, and rock dust shall be placed on the roof, rib, and floor to within 20 feet of the face when mining through the well. On longwall sections, rock dusting shall be conducted and placed on the roof, rib, and floor up to both the headgate and tailgate gob.
- j. When the well is intersected, the operator shall de-energize all equipment, and thoroughly examine and determine the area is safe before mining is resumed.
- k. After a well has been intersected and the working place determined safe, mining shall continue in by the well a sufficient distance to permit adequate ventilation around the area of the well.
- l. If the casing is cut or milled at the coal seam level, the use of torches should not be necessary. However, in rare instances, torches may be used for inadequately or inaccurately cut or milled casings. No open flame shall be permitted in the area until adequate ventilation has been established around the well bore and methane levels of less 1.0% are present in all areas that will be exposed to flames and sparks from the torch. The operator shall apply a thick layer of rock dust to the roof, face, floor, ribs and any exposed coal within 20 feet of the casing prior to any use of torches.
- m. Non-sparking (brass) tools will be located on the working section and will be used to expose and examine cased wells.

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- n. No person shall be permitted in the area of the mine through operation except those actually engaged in the operation, including company personnel, representatives of the miners, personnel from MSHA, and personnel from the appropriate State agency.
- o. The operator shall alert all personnel in the mine to the planned intersection of the well prior to their going underground if the planned intersection is to occur during their shift. This warning shall be repeated for all shifts until the well has been mined through.
- p. The mine through operation shall be under the direct supervision of a certified individual. Instructions concerning the mine through operation shall be issued only by the certified individual in charge.
- q. The provisions of this Order do not impair the authority of representatives of MSHA to interrupt or halt the mine through operation, and to issue a withdrawal order, when they deem it necessary for the safety of the miners. MSHA may order an interruption or cessation of the mine through operation and/or a withdrawal of personnel by issuing either a verbal or written order to that effect to a representative of the operator, which order shall include the basis for the order. Operations in the affected area of the mine may not resume until a representative of MSHA permits resumption of mine through operations. The mine operator and miners shall comply with verbal or written MSHA orders immediately. All verbal orders shall be committed to writing within a reasonable time as conditions permit.
- r. A copy of this Order shall be maintained at the mine and be available to the miners.
- s. Within 30 days after this Order becomes final, the operator shall submit proposed revisions for its approved 30 C.F.R. Part 48 training plan to the district manager. These proposed revisions shall include initial and refresher training regarding compliance with the terms and conditions stated in the Order. The operator shall provide all miners involved in the mine through of a well with training regarding the requirements of this Order prior to mining within 150 feet of the next well intended to be mined through.
- t. The responsible person required under 30 C.F.R. § 75.1501 is responsible for well intersection emergencies. The well intersection procedures should be reviewed by the responsible person prior to any planned intersection.

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- u. Within 30 days after this Order becomes final, the operator shall submit proposed revisions for its approved mine emergency evacuation and firefighting plan required by 30 CFR § 75.1501. The operator will revise the plans to include the hazards and evacuation procedures to be used for well intersections. All underground miners will be trained in this revised plan within 30 days of the submittal of the revised evacuation plan.

Any party to this action desiring a hearing on this matter must file in accordance with 30 CFR 44.14, within 30 days. The request for hearing must be filed with the Administrator for Coal Mine Safety and Health, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22209-3939.

If a hearing is requested, the request shall contain a concise summary of position on the issues of fact or law desired to be raised by the party requesting the hearing, including specific objections to the proposed decision. A party other than Petitioner who has requested a hearing shall also comment upon all issues of fact or law presented in the petition, and any party to this action requesting a hearing may indicate a desired hearing date. If no request for a hearing is filed within 30 days after service thereof, the Decision and Order will become final and must be posted by the operator on the mine bulletin board at the mine.



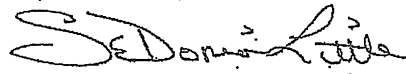
Charles J. Thomas  
Deputy Administrator for  
Coal Mine Safety and Health

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of this Proposed Decision and Order was served personally or mailed, postage prepaid, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013, to:

Mr. Nathan Sypolt  
Project Engineer  
Wolf Run Mining Company  
99 Edmiston Way  
Buckhannon, WV 26201



SeDonia Little  
Secretary

cc: Mr. C.A. Phillips, Acting Director  
Office of Miners' Health Safety & Training,  
Dept of Energy, Division of Mines & Minerals  
1615 Washington Street  
Charleston, WV 25311

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FORM IV-35  
(Obverse)

DEPARTMENT OF MINES, OIL AND GAS DIVISION

Operator's  
Well No. Vera Boylen #2

[08-78]

WELL OPERATOR'S REPORT /  
OF

API Well No. 17-001-111  
State County Per:

DRILLING, FRACTURING AND/OR STIMULATING, OR PHYSICAL CHANGE

WELL TYPE: Oil \_\_\_ / Gas X / Liquid Injection \_\_\_ / Waste Disposal \_\_\_  
(If "Gas", Production X / Underground storage \_\_\_ / Deep \_\_\_ / Shallow \_\_\_)

LOCATION: Elevation: 1390' Watershed: Simpson Creek  
District: Pleasant County: Barbour Quadrangle: Philippi

WELL OPERATOR Petroleum Development Corporation DESIGNATED AGENT Petroleum Development Corporation  
Address 103 East Main Street, PO Box 26 Address 103 East Main Street, PO Box 26  
Bridgeport, W. Va. 26330 Bridgeport, W. Va. 26330

PERMITTED WORK: Drill X / Convert \_\_\_ / Drill deeper \_\_\_ / Re-drill \_\_\_ / Fracture or stimulate \_\_\_  
Plug off old formation \_\_\_ / Perforate new formation \_\_\_  
Other physical change in well (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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PERMIT ISSUED ON July 24, 1980

OIL & GAS INSPECTOR FOR THIS WORK:  
Name Robert Stewart OIL & GAS DIVISION  
Address Box 34 **DEPT. OF MINES**  
Jane Lew, WV 26378

IF APPLICABLE: PLUGGING OF DRY HOLE OR  
CONTINUOUS PROGRESSION FROM DRILLING OR  
REWORKING. VERBAL PERMISSION OBTAINED

GEOLOGICAL TARGET FORMATION: Benson Depth: 5500 feet  
Depth of completed well, 4557 feet Rotary X / Cable Tools \_\_\_  
Water section Depth: Fresh, 900 feet; salt, \_\_\_ feet.  
Coal seam depths: 105, 116, 763, 827 Is coal being mined in the area? no  
Work was commenced January 29, 1980, and completed February 5, 1980

CEMENTING AND TUBING PROGRAM

WELL OR TUBING TYPE	SPECIFICATIONS Weight Size	PLUGGING INTERVALS Used for Cementing	CEMENT FILLS OR CEMENT (Cubic feet)	PACKERS
Production	3 1/2" 9.5# X	35'	35'	surface
Water				
Production	4" 21#	1025'	1005'	260 sks.
Production	4" 3 5/8" 9.5# X	4451'	4487'	440 sks.
Water				
Production				

PERMITS DATA

Producing formation: Benson Pay zone depth: 4448  
Gas: Initial open flow, 112 Mcf/d Oil: Initial open flow, \_\_\_\_\_  
Final open flow, 1,033 Mcf/d Final open flow, \_\_\_\_\_  
Time of open flow between initial and final tests, \_\_\_\_\_ hours  
Static rock pressure, 1275 psia (surface measurement) after 48 hours shut in  
If applicable, the following information:  
Second producing formation: Kelley Pay zone depth: 4147 feet  
Gas: Initial open flow, \_\_\_\_\_ Mcf/d Oil: Initial open flow, \_\_\_\_\_  
Final open flow, \_\_\_\_\_ Mcf/d Final open flow, \_\_\_\_\_  
Time of open flow between initial and final tests, \_\_\_\_\_ hours  
Static rock pressure, \_\_\_\_\_ psia (surface measurement) after \_\_\_\_\_ hours shut in

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TAILS OF PERFORATED INTERVALS, FRACTURING OR STIMULATING, PHYSICAL CHANGE, ETC.

enson	420 bbl	10,000# 80/100	40,000# 20/40	500 gal. 15% acid	4448'-75'
riley	385 bbl	10,000# 80/100	35,000# 20/40	500 gal. 15% acid	4147'-54'

WELL LOG

FORMATION	Color	Hard or Soft	Top Feet	Bottom Feet	Remarks Including indication of all fresh and salt water, coal, oil and gas
K.B. - G.L. fill			0	10	
sand, shale			10	15	
R.R., shale			15	80	
coal			80	105	
sand, shale			105	108	
R.R.			108	360	
sand, shale			360	400	
coal			400	716	
shale			716	721	
coal			721	763	
sand, shale			763	768	
coal			768	827	
sand, shale, R.R.			827	832	
big lime			832	1564	fresh H <sub>2</sub> O 1 1/2" @ 900'
big injon			1564	1638	
sand, shale			1638	1778	
gantz			1778	2007	
sand, shale			2007	2052	gas check 6/10 thru 2" H <sub>2</sub> O
5th sand			2052	2520	
sand shale			2520	2604	
speechley			2604	3161	
sand, shale			3161	3204	
riley			3204	4142	gas check @ 3600' 7/10 thru 2" H
sand, shale			4142	4160	
enson			4160	4438	gas check @ 4350' 7/10 thru 2" H
sand, shale			4438	4491	
sand, shale			4491	4551 TD	gas check @ TD 7/10 thru 2" H <sub>2</sub> O

(Attach separate sheets to complete as necessary)

Petroleum Development Corporation  
Well Operator

By Charles M. Wheeler  
Treasurer ENGINEER

NOTE: Regulation 1.1111 provides as follows:

"The term 'log' or 'well log' shall mean a systematic, detailed geological record of all formations, including coal, encountered in the drilling of a well."

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WW-4A  
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1) Date: May 15, 2019  
2) Operator's Well Number  
Vera Boylen #2  
3) API Well No.: 47 - 001 - 01190

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS**  
**NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO PLUG AND ABANDON A WELL**

4) Surface Owner(s) to be served:	5) (a) Coal Operator
(a) Name <u>Robert R. &amp; Mindi Jacobs</u>	Name <u>CoalQuest Development, LLC</u>
Address <u>Rt. 1, Box 421-A</u>	Address <u>100 Tygart Drive</u>
<u>Flemington, West Virginia 26347</u>	<u>Grafton, West Virginia 26354</u>
(b) Name _____	(b) Coal Owner(s) with Declaration
Address _____	Name _____
(c) Name _____	Address _____
Address _____	Name _____
Address _____	Address _____
6) Inspector <u>Kenneth Greynolds</u>	(c) Coal Lessee with Declaration
Address <u>613 Broad Run Road</u>	Name _____
<u>Jane Lew, WV 26378</u>	Address _____
Telephone <u>(304) 206-6613</u>	Address _____

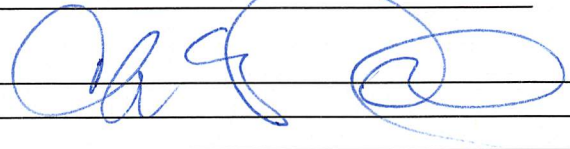
**TO THE PERSONS NAMED ABOVE:** You should have received this Form and the following documents:

- (1) The application to Plug and Abandon a Well on Form WW-4B, which sets out the parties involved in the work and describes the well its and the plugging work order; and
- (2) The plat (surveyor's map) showing the well location on Form WW-6.

The reason you received these documents is that you have rights regarding the application which are summarized in the instructions on the reverses side. However, you are not required to take any action at all.

Take notice that under Chapter 22-6 of the West Virginia Code, the undersigned well operator proposes to file or has filed this Notice and Application and accompanying documents for a permit to plug and abandon a well with the Chief of the Office of Oil and Gas, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, with respect to the well at the location described on the attached Application and depicted on the attached Form WW-6. Copies of this Notice, the Application, and the plat have been mailed by registered or certified mail or delivered by hand to the person(s) named above (or by publication in certain circumstances) on or before the day of mailing or delivery to the Chief.

Well Operator Wolf Run Mining LLC

By: Charles E. Duckworth 

Its: Designated Agent

Address 100 Tygart Drive  
Grafton, West Virginia 26354

Telephone (304) 265-9704

Subscribed and sworn before me this 22 day of May 2019.

My Commission Expires December 22, 2019



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**Oil and Gas Privacy Notice**

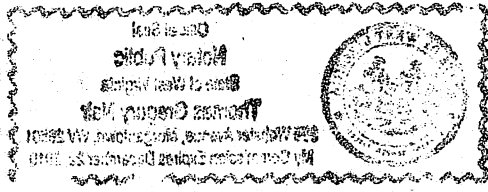
The Office of Oil and Gas processes your personal information, such as name, address and phone number, as a part of our regulatory duties. Your personal information may be disclosed to other State agencies or third parties in the normal course of business or as needed to comply with statutory or regulatory requirements, including Freedom of Information Act requests. Our office will appropriately secure your personal information. If you have any questions about our use of your personal information, please contact DEP's Chief Privacy Officer at [depprivacyoffier@wv.gov](mailto:depprivacyoffier@wv.gov).

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API No. 47-001-01190  
 Farm Name Vera Boylen  
 Well No. Vera Boylen #2

**INSTRUCTIONS TO COAL OPERATORS  
OWNERS AND LESSEE**

The well operator named on the obverse side of WW-4 (B) is about to abandon the well described in the enclosed materials and will commence the work of plugging and abandoning said well on the date the inspector is notified. Which date shall not be less than five days after the day on which this notice and application so mailed is received, or in due course should be received by the Department of Environmental Protection Office of Oil & Gas.

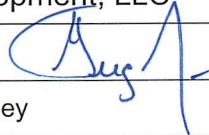
This notice and application is given to you in order that your respective representatives may be present at the plugging and filling of said well. You are further notified that whether you are represented or not the operator will proceed to plug and fill said well in the manner required by Section 24, Article 6, Chapter 22 of the Code and given in detail on obverse side of this application.

NOTE: If you wish this well to be plugged according to 22-6-24(d) then as per Regulation 35CSR4-13.9 you must complete and return to this office on form OB-16 "Request by Coal Operator, Owner, or Lessee for plugging" prior to the issuance of this plugging permit.

**WAIVER**

The undersigned coal operator X / owner \_\_\_\_\_ / lessee \_\_\_\_\_ / of the coal under this well location has examined this proposed plugging work order. The undersigned has no objection to the work proposed to be done at this location, provided, the well operator has complied with all applicable requirements of the West Virginia Code and the governing regulations.

Date: 5/22/19

CoalQuest Development, LLC  
 By: Greg Nair   
 Its Power of Attorney

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**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

**COALQUEST DEVELOPMENT LLC  
TO  
GREG NAIR**

**Dated: January 1, 2019**

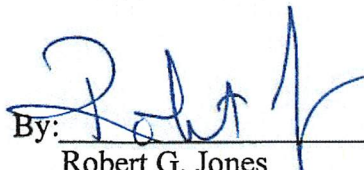
**Expires: December 31, 2019**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That CoalQuest Development LLC, a limited liability company formed under the laws of the State of Delaware (the "Company"), acting by and through Robert G. Jones, its duly authorized Secretary, has and does hereby appoint Greg Nair its true and lawful Attorney-in-Fact with power and authority, for and on behalf, and in the name of the Company, during the period herein specified, and subject to the restrictions and limitations set forth in this Power, to execute, acknowledge and deliver in the ordinary and regular course of the Company's business, applications for mining, environmental, safety, and health permits, permit transfers, or permit bond releases or bond adjustments, amendments, supplements or modifications to such permits, certificates, gas well plugging applications, shallow well drilling permit applications, or other instruments directly related to such amendments, supplements or modifications, monthly production reports, air quality, water quality or other environmental reports, quarterly discharge monitoring reports and any other like or similar reports required to be filed with any local, state or federal governmental agency.

The Attorney herein appointed shall be authorized to act pursuant to this Power from the date hereof only so long as such Attorney shall remain an employee of Arch Coal, Inc. or any subsidiary thereof, or until December 31, 2019, or until such earlier time as this instrument has been revoked, annulled, rescinded or set aside by an instrument of revocation filed with the Secretary of the Company, whichever first occurs.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed on its behalf, and its seal to be hereunto affixed as of the day and year first above written, by the undersigned, Robert G. Jones, duly authorized Secretary of the Company.

COALQUEST DEVELOPMENT LLC

By:   
Robert G. Jones  
Secretary

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STATE OF MISSOURI     )  
  ) ss  
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS    )

On this 18th day of December, 2018, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Robert G. Jones, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.



Peggy Feldmann  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: December 1, 2021

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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS

CONSTRUCTION AND RECLAMATION PLAN AND SITE REGISTRATION APPLICATION FORM  
GENERAL PERMIT FOR OIL AND GAS PIT WASTE DISCHARGE

Operator Name Wolf Run Mining LLC OP Code \_\_\_\_\_

Watershed Simpson Creek Quadrangle Philippi (545)

Elevation 1390' County Barbour District Pleasant

Description of anticipated Pit Waste: N/A

Will a synthetic liner be used in the pit? N/A

Proposed Disposal Method For Treated Pit Wastes:

- Land Application
- Underground Injection ( UIC Permit Number \_\_\_\_\_ )
- Reuse (at API Number \_\_\_\_\_ )
- Off Site Disposal (Supply form WW-9 for disposal location)
- Other (Explain Tanks - See attached letter)

Proposed Work For Which Pit Will Be Used:

- Drilling
- Workover
- Other (Explain \_\_\_\_\_)
- Swabbing
- Plugging

I certify that I understand and agree to the terms and conditions of the GENERAL WATER POLLUTION PERMIT issued on August 1, 2005, by the Office of Oil and Gas of the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection. I understand that the provisions of the permit are enforceable by law. Violations of any term or condition of the general permit and/or other applicable law or regulation can lead to enforcement action.

I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted on this application form and all attachments thereto and that, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the information is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine or imprisonment.

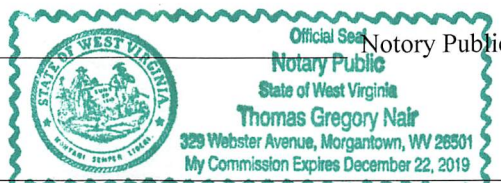
Company Official Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Company Official (Typed Name) Charles E. Duckworth

Company Official Title Designated Agent

Subscribed and sworn before me this 22 day of May, 2019

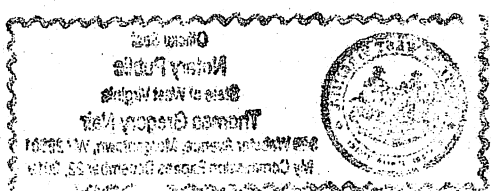
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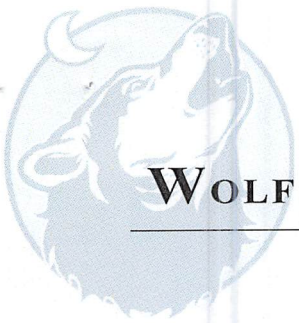
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State of West Virginia  
Thomas Gregory West  
1000 10th Street, Wheeling, WV 26061  
Phone: 304-243-1111







## WOLF RUN MINING LLC

May 15, 2019

WV Department of Environmental Protection  
Office of Oil and Gas  
601 – 57<sup>th</sup> Street, S.E.  
Charleston, West Virginia 25304

To Whom It May Concern:

As per the WV Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Oil and Gas request, Wolf Run Mining LLC, submits the following procedures utilizing pit waste.

Upon submitting a well work application (without a general permit for Oil and Gas Pit Waste Discharge Application), Wolf Run Mining LLC, will construct no pits, but instead will use mud tanks to contain all drilling muds.

Once the well is completed, that material (minus the cave material) will be trucked to the next well to be plugged or to DEP impoundment facilities O-113-83 or to an approved facility that can handle the material.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Charles E. Duckworth", written in a cursive style.

Charles E. Duckworth  
Designated Agent

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WOLF RUN MINING LLC

Diversion Ditch (as Needed)

Typical Drawing  
Of Well Plugging Site  
Plan

GUT

Cut Mulched If Slope  
Less than 1 to 1

Sediment  
Catch Basin

Tub  
Tub

WELL

Baghouse

Rig

Sediment  
Catch Basin

Mud Tanks

Compacted and Layed

Hay Bales  
or  
Sediment Fence

FILL

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West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection  
Office of Oil and Gas  
**WELL LOCATION FORM: GPS**

API: 47-001-01190 WELL NO.: Vera Boylen #2

FARM NAME: Vera Boylen

RESPONSIBLE PARTY NAME: Wolf Run Mining LLC

COUNTY: Barbour DISTRICT: Pleasant

QUADRANGLE: Philippi

SURFACE OWNER: Robert R. & Mindi Jacobs

ROYALTY OWNER: Robert R. & Mindi Jacobs

UTM GPS NORTHING: 4340549.720

UTM GPS EASTING: 578474.033 GPS ELEVATION: 1399.19'

The Responsible Party named above has chosen to submit GPS coordinates in lieu of preparing a new well location plat for a plugging permit or assigned API number on the above well. The Office of Oil and Gas will not accept GPS coordinates that do not meet the following requirements:

1. Datum: NAD 1983, Zone: 17 North, Coordinate Units: meters, Altitude: height above mean sea level (MSL) – meters.
2. Accuracy to Datum – 3.05 meters
3. Data Collection Method:

Survey grade GPS  : Post Processed Differential \_\_\_\_\_  
Real-Time Differential

Mapping Grade GPS \_\_\_\_\_ : Post Processed Differential \_\_\_\_\_  
Real-Time Differential \_\_\_\_\_

4. **Letter size copy of the topography map showing the well location.**

I the undersigned, hereby certify this data is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and shows all the information required by law and the regulations issued and prescribed by the Office of Oil and Gas.

[Signature]  
Signature

Power of Attorney  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

May 16, 2019  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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