

Kansas Administrative Regulations

Kansas Corporation Commission

Article 3.—Production and Conservation of Oil and Gas

82-3-115a. Intent to drill seismic shot holes; notification; penalty; exemption.

(a) Each owner, operator, or persons responsible for a seismic operation shall give written notice of the intention to drill for approval by the conservation division before the commencement of drilling operations.

(1) Filing. The notice shall be filed with the conservation division at least five days before any drilling is commenced.

(2) Contents. The notice shall be on a form prescribed by the commission. The notice shall be filled in completely and signed by the operator or the operator's agent, and shall contain:

(A) The seismic company's name, address, and commission license number;

(B) the date on which drilling is anticipated to begin;

(C) the quarter section, section, township, range and county of the proposed location;

(D) the estimated number and depth of seismic shot holes to be drilled in each quarter section;

(E) the proposed plugging plan or method to be used for plugging seismic shot holes; and

(F) any other information which may be requested by the commission.

(b) District office notification. Prior to drilling one or more seismic shot holes, the operator shall notify the appropriate district office.

(c) Emergency situation. When an emergency situation exists, the operator shall orally notify and present the proposal to the district office. The written notice of intention to drill shall be filed with the commission within 24 hours.

(d) Drilling seismic shot holes without an approved notice of intent of emergency notice shall be punishable by a penalty of up to \$1000.

(e) Exemption. Seismic operations which do not require the drilling or digging of a hole shall be exempt from the requirements of this regulation.

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