LEGAL NOTICE STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES NOTICE OF INTENTION TO AMEND AND HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON OIL AND GAS WELL CONSTRUCTION RULES

The Chief for the Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management, pursuant to section 1509.03 and Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, hereby gives notice of his intention to amend, rescind, or adopt rules:

1501:9-1-01 (Amend) 1501:9-1-02 (Amend) 1501:9-1-08 (Adopt)

1501:9-12-01 (Adopt)

The rules proposed for amendment deal with:

General provisions. Permits.

The rules proposed for adoption deal with:

Well construction. Referenced industry standards.

The reason for amending and adopting these rules is to implement the well construction provisions of section 1509.17 of the Revised Code, as enacted by SB 165 of the 128th General Assembly and amended by HB 153 of the 129th General Assembly.

A public hearing on the proposed rule amendments and adoptions will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 17, 2012; at the Ohio Department of Natural Resources; Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management; 2045 Morse Road; Building H-2 Conference Room; Columbus, Ohio 43229. At the public hearing, any person affected by the proposed rule amendments or adoptions may appear and be heard in person, or by their attorney, or both, and may present testimony, orally or in writing, offer and examine witnesses, and present evidence tending to show that the proposed amendments or adoptions, if adopted, will be unreasonable or unlawful.

Copies of the proposed rule amendments and adoptions are available on the Register of Ohio website, http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/index.jsp. For persons who do not have access to the Internet, copies of the proposed amendments are available from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management, 2045 Morse Road, Building H-2, Columbus, Ohio 43229. If you have any questions, please call the Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management at (614) 265-6633.

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