

LEGAL NOTICE**STATE OF OHIO
OIL & GAS COMMISSION
COLUMBUS, OHIO****PUBLIC HEARING
ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
RULES OF PROCEDURE**

As required by Rule 1509-1-16 of the Ohio Administrative Code and Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, the Oil & Gas Commission hereby makes public notice of a public hearing on the rescission of seventeen existing rules and the proposal of twenty-six new rules addressing procedures before the Oil & Gas Commission. The hearing will take place on July 25, 2008 at 9:00 a.m., at the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Fountain Square Complex, 2045 Morse Road, Assembly Center East Conference Room, Building E, 1st Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43229.

The rules proposed to be rescinded are rules 1509-1-01 through 1509-1-17 of the Administrative Code, and constitute the existing Rules of Procedure of the Oil & Gas Commission. These rules will be replaced by proposed new Rules of Procedure.

The proposed new rules are Rules 1509-1-01 through 1509-1-26 of the Administrative Code.

The new rules are being proposed in order to establish an orderly review procedure before the Oil & Gas Commission, and to aid and assist litigants who appear before the Commission. The proposed new rules address the following areas:

1509-1-01	Official Address of the Oil & Gas Commission (replaces 1509-1-01)
1509-1-02	Definitions
1509-1-03	Quorum, Concurrence (replaces 1509-1-02)
1509-1-04	Appearances before the Commission (replaces 1509-1-14)
1509-1-05	Ex Parte Contacts or Communications
1509-1-06	Meetings, Hearings and Calendar (replaces 1509-1-05, 1509-1-08)
1509-1-07	Minutes (replaces 1509-1-17)
1509-1-08	Availability of Commission Records and Files
1509-1-09	Filing with the Commission (replaces 1509-1-03)
1509-1-10	Computation and Extension of Time
1509-1-11	Appeals to the Commission (replaces 1509-1-04)
1509-1-12	Temporary Relief

1509-1-13	Interested Persons (replaces 1509-1-14)
1509-1-14	Intervention, Participation by Amicus Curiae
1509-1-15	Notice of Adjudication Hearing (replaces 1509-1-06)
1509-1-16	Continuances (replaces 1509-1-07)
1509-1-17	Discovery, Depositions (replaces 1509-1-11)
1509-1-18	Subpoenas (replaces 1509-1-12)
1509-1-19	Motions, Briefs (replaces 1509-1-13)
1509-1-20	Conduct of Evidentiary Hearings
1509-1-21	Stipulation of Fact (replaces 1509-1-10)
1509-1-22	Substitution of Parties, Dismissal and Withdrawal (replaces 1509-1-09)
1509-1-23	Decisions of the Commission
1509-1-24	Appeals from Commission Decisions
1509-1-25	Rules of the Commission, Notice of Public Hearing (replaces 1509-1-15)
1509-1-26	Notice of Public Meetings ("Sunshine Law") (replaces 1509-1-16)

At the public hearing, any person affected by the rescission of existing rules or adoption of new rules, may appear and be heard in person, by his attorney, or both, and may present testimony orally or in writing, offer and examine witnesses, and present evidence tending to show that the proposed rescission or promulgation, if adopted, will be unreasonable or unlawful.

Copies of the proposed rules and rescissions are available at the office of the Oil & Gas Commission, 2045 Morse Road, Building F-2, Columbus, Ohio 43229. If you have any questions, please call the Oil & Gas Commission at (614) 262-1269.