

Hearing Summary Report

Hearing Date: 4/10/2023
Agency: Ohio Oil and Gas Land Management Commission
Rule Number(s): 1501: 155-1-01
If no comments at the hearing, please check the box.
List organizations or individuals giving or submitting testimony before, during or after the public hearing and indicate the rule number(s) in

In-Person Comments:

Individual(s)/Organization(s)	Rule	<u>Comments</u>
Dr. Joe Blanda, M.D.	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that Ohio Parks and other natural areas are some of the best in the nation. Discussed the death of his son, Joe, due to a form of cancer closely linked to
		environmental toxins such as methane. Commented on his experience in state parks and as a doctor prescribing nature therapy. Commented that the public will be exposed to dangerous chemicals if there is leasing of state lands.

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Aaron Dunbar	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on the negative impacts of climate change and how fracking will exacerbate the problem. Commented on the health and environmental impacts of fracking.
Roxanne Groff	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on the health and environmental impacts of fracking. Commented on climate change and how the issue will be exacerbated by fracking. Commented on past explosions of oil and gas wells and their effect on the communities around them. Made suggestions that commenter contends will make the rule and process better. Commented on the potential negative impact on the tourism industry. Commented on surface leasing.
Jenny Morgan	1501: 155-1-01	Provided record of tort litigation related to fracking. Commented that oil and gas companies get waivers for environmental standards, and that fracking can cause cancer and other diseases. Commented on how unfair the process of HB 507 being amended and passed was.
Laurel Hobden	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on the impact fracking could have on the tourism industry in Ohio. Commented on environmental and public health risk associated with fracking. Commented on effects of climate change. Commented on the dwindling job market in fossil fuels and booming job market in green energy.



Anne Rubin	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on the increased usage of state parks during the Coronavirus pandemic, and the economic impact parks have to the economy. Expressed that the Commission doesn't provide for enough public participation. Commented that there aren't sufficient notice requirements in the rule. Commented on statutory requirements that separate surface leases be made separate the standard lease form drafted by the Commission.
Loran Conley	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on the amount of water that is used in fracking and the potential environmental contaminants that may come from it.
Kathi Albertson	1501: 155-1-01	Expressed concern that she might be approached to lease land in support of leased public land next door. Commented on the cost of private landowner to negotiate best practices with oil and gas operators. Commented that the state should cooperate with private landowners who are asked to lease their surface rights by private industry.
Joel Pokladnik	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that the passage of HB 507 was unfair. Commented on climate change and how fracking will exacerbate the problem. Commented on the negative environmental effects of fracking.



Randi Pokladnik	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that fracking is excluded from most federal environmental regulations. Commented on dangerous chemical, physical, social and health hazards associated with fracking. Commented on possible negative impacts to Ohio's tourism industry.
Rob Brundrett	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on changes to the lease language that they believe should still be made regarding the termination of public use, insurance, pooled production unit limited, and royalty and gas measurement provisions. Commented on wording of the rule.
Katharine Jones	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on the make-up of the commission and lack of representation for the public. Commented on the long-term environmental and health impacts of fracking.
Carolyn Harding	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on experiences as a child getting sick because of poor water quality. Commented on the waste that fracking produces. Commented on the long-term effects of fracking.
Mark Bank	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that HB 507 is bad for the welfare of our state lands. Commented on climate change. Commented on commission make-up and there being no scientist.
Cathy Cowan Becker	1501: 155-1-01	Claimed that there was a lack of public involvement in the rulemaking process. Commented on the discrepancy of including surface rights leasing in the standard lease



		given the Governor's position on the topic. Commented on the climate and health impacts of fracking. Commented that fracking on public lands could provide tax cuts to the rich.
Melinda Zemper	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on climate change and the impact that non-renewable resources play in the process. Commented on the need to stop the release of carbon into the atmosphere. Commented on the environmental and public health concerns related to oil and gas drilling. Commented on the impact fracking could have on the tourism industry.
Sally Dannemiller	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on the importance of moving away from fossil fuels. Commented that fracking should not take place on public lands. Commented on the potential environmental and public health concerns related to oil and gas drilling.

Written Comments:

Individual(s)/Organization(s)	<u>Rule</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Randy Cunningham	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that H.B. 507 is bad for Ohio,
		that the public will be very unhappy once they
		find out drilling is taking place in state parks,
		and that this will negatively impact business
		development.



Ascent Resources	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on changes to the lease language that they believe should still be made regarding the term, royalty and gas measurement, audit/inspection rights, pooled production unit limited, insurance, well plugging security, and termination of public use provisions.
OOGA	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on changes to the lease language that they believe should still be made regarding the termination of public use, Insurance, pooled production unit limited, and royalty and gas measurement provisions.
Rita Haider	1501: 155-1-01	Stated her opposition to oil and gas extraction on public lands because of the devastating consequences for the environment, wildlife and public health. Commented that more drilling will lead to more water pollution, damage to wildlife habitat and greenhouse gasses.
GRH	1501: 155-1-01	Stated concerns about fracking on Ohio public lands. Commented that the Commission has not included any recommendations in the rule or the lease. Commented that the language in the lease relating to surface impacts is out of place because of Governor DeWine's statement of policy that there will be no surface use during his term in office.
R.J. Sigmund	1501: 155-1-01	Stated that leasing Ohio public lands for oil and gas production is a harebrained scheme.



		Commented that parkland is set aside so it won't be industrialized.
Charlotte Reith	1501: 155-1-01	Highlighted importance of parks for quality of
		life and economic development. Commented
		that the Commission hasn't allowed public to
		speak at every meeting. Commented that
		fracking is dangerous to public health and
		environment.
John Carmichael	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that natural gas is not a "green energy" as defined in HB 507. Commented
		that there will be serious negative impacts to
		land, water, atmosphere and ambience in
		state parks. Commented about the
		contaminants that can come from fracking.
Kathleen Burns	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that fracking should not be
		allowed in state parks and that proposed rules
		are flawed. Commented on Commission
		make-up and that there should be more
		scientists. Commented that commission isn't
		following state statute.
Kyle Garvey	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on the dangers of fracking,
		particularly with water contamination,
		premature birth, asthma, cancers, etc
		Commented on surface language in the lease
		and statute.
Valerie Moore	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that she is 100% against fracking
		on public lands. Urged the use of scientific
		facts to make decisions that will protect the
		environment as much as possible. Urged that



		the Commission notify the public to the
		greatest extent possible. Commented that
		there should be no surface leasing.
Kathleen Mackey	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that the public hasn't been given
		enough opportunities to comment on draft
		rules and lease. Commented on the negative
		environmental and health impacts of fracking.
		Commented that the surface lease portion of
		the lease should be eliminated.
Mary Earle	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that the Commission should
		incorporate changes requested by the
		Buckeye Environmental Network. Commented
		that the public is not being involved enough in
		the rule/leasing process. Pointed to negative
		impacts fracking has on the environment.
		Commented that Ohio does not need
		additional oil and gas production.
Gabriel Karns	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that there needs to be more of a
		process established in rules for public
		comment on nominations. Commented that
		the Commission hasn't included public's
		recommendations in the draft rule.
		Commented that the Governor's directive for
		no surface leasing isn't binding.
Jon Srofe	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that the rulemaking process
		needs to be expedited. Commented that HB
		507 is a land grab by oil and gas companies.
		Comments that JCARR should let this rule pass



		so that the changes in HB 507 are in effect for the shortest time possible.
Julie Weatherington-Rice	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on the complexities and limitations of horizontal drilling from private property to extract oil and gas from under public property. Commented on the shortcomings of drilling for oil and gas when it comes to public safety. Commented on issues of abandoned wells created from leasing state lands and who is responsible for paying for them.
Mary Aguilera	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that public engagement is limited and that the public is not being listened to. Commented that there is a discrepancy between the lease and the Governor's order in regard to surface leasing. Commented on the negative impacts that fracking has for the environment and health. Commented that profits from fracking aren't worth the cost of public safety. Commented on the makeup of the Commission not being adequate.
Encino Energy	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on changes to the lease language that they believe should still be made regarding the termination language, delay rental mechanism, lease term and pooling language. Recommended the addition of development commission language.



Ron Baumann	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on the negative consequences of allowing oil and gas companies to frack near parks and public lands.
Rick Durrenberg	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that the Commission should not allow leasing of state lands for oil and gas extraction because it will cause irrevocable damage.
Jacob Brenner	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that he is against leasing state lands for oil and gas production due to inevitable environmental and health consequences. Commented that the changes in law should be better advertised, and any lease should be approved by locals. Commented that more regulation should be put in place to protect water, and that HB 507 should be rolled back.
Dave Lipstreu	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that state lands should not be leased for oil and gas production. Commented that HB 507 is a giveaway to corporate oil and gas companies. Commented on the climate crisis and stated that the Commission doesn't have the expertise to evaluate the statutes they are enacting. Commented that public lands shouldn't be leased for oil and gas production.
Cassidy Thompson	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on the makeup of the commission being inadequate as there are no members with scientific backgrounds. Commented that HB 507 is unacceptable, and



		that nominations should include indication of whether the operator plans to lease surface
		rights. Commented on the environment and
		public health concerns of fracking.
Mark Laskovics	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on concerns of further impacts to
I		the environment, and that the state isn't
		focusing on renewable energy. Commented
		on lack of procedure for public engagement in
		rule. Commented that lease language
		regarding surface rights is not in-line with
		Governor's stance. Commented on public
		health impacts of fracking.
Kathy Kugler	1501: 155-1-01	Urged that public lands are not used for oil
		and gas production.
Eric May	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that using public lands for oil and
		gas production is wrong.
Joel Moore	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that the legislature doesn't have
		the right to sell off public lands just to make
		money.
Mary Huck	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that using state lands for oil and
		gas production is distasteful. Commented on
		the negative health and environmental
		impacts that fracking can have.
Liz Noble	1501: 155-1-01	Commented on the air quality around
		Fernwood State Forest and how she believes
		she got sick because of nearby fracking and
		the pollution gas wells put in the air.
		Commented on concerns for public health and
		the environment.



Loraine McCosker	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that virtual testimony was denied, and how the commission has no scientists. Commented that the rule doesn't provide enough time for public comment, and that public input hasn't been adopted as part of the rule. Commented on surface language in lease that is at odds with the Governor's directive not to lease surface rights. Commented on climate issues, and that oil and gas production threatens human health and safety.
Rich Jordan	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that the Commission didn't adopt public's recommendations. Commented on negative impacts that oil and gas production can have on the environment, public health, property values, etc Commented on what needs to be included in rule.
Anne Sparks	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that the Supreme Court should be able to rule on the validity of HB 507 prior to leasing public lands for oil and gas production. Commented on the effects to the economy and impacts to the land.
Morgan Hager	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that the Commission has not done enough to incorporate public input. Commented that the way HB 507 was passed was un-democratic.
Katie O'Neill	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that the public needed an environmental impact statement for HB 507.



		Commented that HB 507 is tantamount to theft of public lands. Commented on the importance of parks for citizens' physical and emotional health.
Leatra Harper	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that the way HB 507 was passed is an abuse of power. Commented on the dangers of oil and gas production, and that now profit is worth what the public is giving up. Commented on the potential impact on the environment through the creation of greenhouse gasses and water pollution.
Aileen Hull	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that fossil fuels have little long- term benefits. Commented on health and environmental impact of drilling for oil and gas. Commented that renewable energies are cheaper in the long-term.
Encino Energy	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that the updated rule and standard lease adopted by the Commission on April 17, 2023, does not violate any JCARR prongs and should be approved.
Martha Sharkin, Philip McPherson, Katherine Verner, Kent Lyle, Catherine Glenn, J. Maire, Colin Mennett, Steven Daskal, Jill B., Robert Oldham, Patty Sheehan, Katie Oetzel, Judith Pflaumer, Beth Puleo, Sue Hutras, Lori Betker, Renate & Jack Pealer, Alan Birmingham, Suzanne Halstead, Sandra Curry, Kym Lucas, Alison Fitchpatrick, Bruce & Jennifer Lott, Sandie Myers, Susan Pennybacker, Patricia	1501: 155-1-01	Commented that the lease includes language for surface leasing, which is contrary to the Governors directive to not lease surface rights on public lands. Commented the Commission needs to provide more time for public comment, engagement, and notice in the proposed rule. Commented that there are inherent risks of fracking on public health and the environment.



Rossi, Mary Gibson, Cynthis Flaherty, Bonnie Macpherson, Lori Forshey, Ethan Roush, Karolyn Schalk, Sonia Ewald, Andrew Kistler, Alexa Bass, Daphne Dodson, Joanne Morgan, Justin Philipps, Joyce Bower, Dawn Hewitt, Berry Dilley, Joyce Allen, Karyn Deibel, Earl Grove, Ann Randolph, Rebekah Colours, Carla Newberry, Elizabeth McGinnis, Lowell Palm, Leo Bistak, Patricia Stevenson, Laura Anielski, Denis Walsh, Karen Eliot, Judy Willour, Felicita Sanchez, Nathan Hetrick, Rebecca Miller, Deborah Zuhars, Adam Freeberg, Jeff Neikirk, Michael Lupo, Valentina Khoury, Sandra Cobb, Jenna Encheff, Sally Sutterfield, Bob Reno, David and Jackie Parker, Megan Hall, Amy Snell, Carole Campbell, Tawnya Neal, Constance McCoy, Catalina Maddox, Janice Hunter, Shelley Tippett, Lisa Hughes, Carol Ann George, George Borland, Sandy Wood, Jeannie Blake, Mary Seegot, Edward Lekan, Jeannie Finlay-Kochanwoski, Christine Rohde, Linda Kiernan, Stephanie Riccobene, Courtney Kishbaugh, Angela Wilson, Joseph Blanda, Debbie Pound, Loretta Olsen, Diane Davis, Janis Scalone, Thomas Warner, Gordon Svoboda, Karen Dyser, Madeline Marshal, Jim Hansler, Nancy Smith, Nancy Overton, Andrew Morris, Donna Becker, David Melcer, Sharon Call, Larry Thiedt, Allen Strous, Karen



Landry, Eric Noderer, Michelle White, Laura Fay, Debra Miller, Barbara Brovarone, Rebecca Stringer, Frances Nottingham, Margie Hunter, Kathleen Segar, Jennifer Moberg, Barbara Cicalese, Beth Springer, Billie Lyion, B. Lykes, George Hanas, Diane May, Will Volck, Whitney Reed, James Cooper, Constance Minerovic, Heidi Keenan, William Maurer, Erin Znidar, Paul Moser, Kathryn Rodgers, Kathryn Lawson, Cynthia Molinero, Vicki Wheeler, Mary Ricketts, D. Orellana, Ray Hemeyer, Joanne Meszaros, John Lassiter, C. Menn, Alison Pignolet, Eileen Pezzutti, Barbara O'Connell, Joni Manson, Aemie Sigler, Anthony Madore, Ruth Seggerson, Marcia Levine, William Haberlandt, Sarah Ford, Carol Brockway, Kerry Ramsey, Fran Mentch, Patricia Fair, Yvonne McLaughlin, Hallie Saferin, Charlotte Better, A'Shontae Peterson, Anthony Mehle, Donna Papps, Maureen Penman, Eva Webster, Kendra Rockwell, Dan Norris, Gay Marie Goden, Patty Viers, Kathi Ridgway, Stephanie Sepate, Eric Dahlstrom, Robert Reeb, Nancy Hudson, Dan Toohey, Laura Cocke, Brenda Cameron, Ray Schulte, Jennifer Simon, Camille Embry, Paul Szymanowski, Diane White, Diane Pekarcik, Thomas Cope, Anthony Rampe, Victoria Copley, Ronnie Day, Nancy Linscott, Troy



Tackett, Cathy Stegman, Dori and Samuel Joseph, Jerry Baker, Patricia Callis, Marilyn Kolar, Ursula Cohrs, Becky Wood, Andrew Ludanyi, Rachel Ferreira, Linda Gallum, David Dipietro, Owen Hedberg, Nancy Loftin, Renee Bogue, Steven Otlowski, Pamela Huff, Kate Burke, Dennis Luna, Katherine Furler, Dean Lutz, Chow-Chi Huang, Christine Brock, Cathy Wootan, Marcelete Elter, Pamela Beckett, J. Freiberg, Darla Ginter, Elizabeth Anderson, John Reebel, Tim Mullins, Judith Mojher, Hallie Stelzle, April Buchanan, Brian Campbell, Denise Litton, Tonya McAdams, Aaron Clark, John Rapach, Jonathan Brier, Susan Gerschutz, Frank Thancker, Molly Kenney, Kurt Miller, Peter Pinter, Edward Shook, Joe Wolf, Eva Cagle, Michael Sheidler, Janice Patrick, Corey Baker, Eric Morris, Kevin Peterca, Patricia Rossi, Gertrude Kelso, Lane Meyers, Rhonda Marr, Shirley Eads, Patricia Dion, Dion Duckett, Lynn Pooley, Peyton Yeater, John and Laura Hofer, Laura Parsons, Laura Colston, Steve McPhee, Patricia Marida, Mark and Karen McVay, Chris Curran, George Banziger, Martin Kraft, Melanie Presler, Jen Boden, John Kramer, Debby Chandler, Joan Taj Leppla, Hatsy Applegate, Dr. Daniel Eck, Deanna Weaver, Maha Hatoum, Vina Colley, Tim Stickle, Shelli Lubecky, Michelle Gordon,



Kimberly Dunaway, Carol Bouffioux, Danielle Daugherty, Gregory Witt, Susan Bilski, Sue Becker, Rebecca Green, Lorin Swinehart, Shawte Jaynes, Margaret Lynd, Arthur Schnabel, Kimberly Hoffman, Katherine Roslan, Mark Ryland, Mary Schmersal, Paul Stranahan, Anthony Calvelage, Kathleen Fischer, Loyola O'Brien, Taylor Simkins, Jody Wainer, Dawn Clayton, Mary Chapa, Jeffrey Curling, Charles Stenken, Delane Bender-Slack, Vivian Barro, Laura Weber, Barbara Jones, Ciara Holtman, Jennifer Brining, Monica Brueggemeier, Loran Gevedon, Todd Woods, Patricia Clinger, Jeffrey Brining, David Lincove, Zoe Rodriguez, Natalie Ringeis, Jan Rader, Justine Hughes, Leann Orlando, Rachel Zeisler, Julie Voynovich, Pejmaan Fallah, Peg McGhee, Laura Winters-Duke, Laura Dailey, David Brockett, Martha Werner-Brown, Amy Dias, Marc Rayburn, Michaels Moorman, Mary Juha, Sarah Thompson, John Floro, Cecilia Johnson, Rosamond Smith, Theodore Nichols, Amour Dresbach, Jo Hunt, Lori Collins, Carol Brazee, Stjepen Vlahovich, Cynthia Gaydos, Melissa Hartford, Patti Wanat, Austin Johnson, Judith Bishop, Nina Rossi, Verna Barta, Diane Darnell, Steve Farmer, Denise Hendershott, Katharine Beutner, Karen Hayes, Susan Dunn, Christine Bruce, Susie Hogue,



Kathryn Foster, Suzanne Hoffman, Walter Cloud, Carrie Resnick, Joyce Shadrach, Rebecca Slisher, Christy Catlett, Martha Dahlgren, Karen Bell, Jeanne Haseley, Jonathan Slaughter, Marie Pfierman, Lauren Schlabach, Sue Lynch, Andrew Wischmeier, Linda Mitchell, Anna Sintsirmas, Doug Rice, Cynthia Brickner, Kurtis Cornell, Judy Siak, Donna Henson, Aimee Shinhearl, Cydny Heimovitz, Marcus Mescher, Jane Jacobson, Geneva Ornelas, Brittani Yoder, Alyssa Simms, Roger Hampshire, Kathleen Kossman, Christine Flak, Stuart Lewis, Mary Keefe, Abigail Drennen, Diana Marcil, Jennifer Howell, Richard Shoemaker, Ron Massoli, Judy Wallace, Sarah Detrick, Gemma Walton, Robert Cestaro, Cheryl Lydston, Deborah Hogshead, Pam Quinn, Jessica Stone, Sharen Oxman, Wende Schott, Eleanor Bourne, Mary Johnson, William Stiver, Stewart Hinze, Kurt Stuckey, Eric Simpson, Michael French, Ellen Straub, Melanie Schultz, James Riley, Britta Campton, Mike Pope, Linda Hartman, Angela Kraft, Kristine Durr, Melissa Ramirez, Leslie Evelo, Amanda Howland, Christine Sarosy, Lorna Hance, Deb Moeller, Judy DiMascio, Jill Fleisher, Natalie Hanson, Jennifer Hamlin, Carol Unverferth, Jeffrey Salmon, Manola Acosta, Michael Newland, Loraine McCosker,



Vicki Wheeler, Abigail Alexander, Ellen Lauber, Jennifer Brickner-York, Mary Jo Berry, Susan Olive, Kathy Ellis, Kimberly Johnson, Margot Anthonisen, Marian Rosenberg, Deborah Fafrak, Katherine Burns, Christopher Martin, Tatiana Ball, Jodi Gradolph, Tracy Johnston, Susan Grundy, Cindy Gerdes, Jennifer Hawkins, Mary A. Harty, Deborah Continenza, Linda Topper, Sally Newman, Laquita Pearson, Marlene Borton, Lara Wallace, Francisco Diaz, Patrick Michael, Constance Jackson, Melissa Geracitano, Kathleen Querner, Cheryl Turton, Julie Noble, Melanie Saltzman, Marcia Wolff, Teri Kolsen, Susan Ekk, Susan Miller, Nova Brilliant-Smith, Marian Csabina, Cathy Thomas, Holly Durst, Jau-Yon Chen, Timothy Fox, Joanne Gerson, Sylvia Daniels, Luann Swartzlander, Tricia Viruet, Delane Slack, Thomas Guarino, James Sipos, Arlene Montgomery, Erika Mapus, Laurie Schmidt, Marilyn Olds, Robin Craig, Dwayne Smith, WB (Pete) Clapham, Shelley Scher, John Edgerton, David Hancock, Michael Lloyd, Myrna Burga, Patricia Pollard, Jane Hobbs, Elizabeth Bullock, Rebecca Phillips, Cornelia Relyea, Nina Brewington, Laura O'Donnell, Heather Peppard, Loren Hyler, Patricia Miller, Christopher Perkins, Philippos Alevizopoulos, Monica Stayner, Laura Vadai, Lauren



Browning, Brenda Paulson, Dorothy Faller,
Laura O'Donnell, Gary Truxton, H. Fast,
Danielle Buie, Margaret Hale, Jeff Danner,
Kitty Emerald, Sandra Toth, Francis Cleary,
Laura Cocoma, Marvin Bell, Maggie Topalian,
Marie Snipes, Janet Einfalt, Linda Heath

Incorporated Comments into Rule(s):

Indicate how comments received during the hearing process were incorporated into the rule(s). If no comments were incorporated, explain why not.

<u>Comment Received</u>	<u>Rule</u>	<u>How Incorporated</u>
Received a comment from members of the	1501: 155-1-01	Removed provisions and added an explicit
public that surface use language in standard		statement that the lease does not confer
lease creates confusion considering		rights to surface leasing.
Governor's directive not to lease surface		
rights as part of lease		
Received comment from JCARR that rule	1501: 155-1-01	Updated rule language to include reference to
language needed to include reference to		specific version of standard lease and refiled
specific date or version of standard lease.		rule.
Received comments from members of the oil	1501: 155-1-01	Made updates to standard lease to remove
and gas industry pointing out language in the		inconsistencies in relation to statute.
lease that was inconsistent with the statute.		