

BEFORE THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

IN THE MATTER OF ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF THE) CAUSE NO. 1V
RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE COLORADO)
OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION BY) DOCKET NO. 150700334
STELBAR CORPORATION INC, WASHINGTON) TYPE: ENFORCEMENT
COUNTY, COLORADO)

NOTICE AND APPLICATION FOR HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Pursuant to Rule 522.e.(2), the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (“Commission” or “COGCC”) Staff will apply to the Commission at its July 20 & 21, 2015 hearing for an Order Finding Violation (“OFV”) against Stelbar Corporation, Inc. (“Stelbar”) (Operator No. 82470). This Notice and Application is being served to adjudicate the allegations made in the below-described Notice of Alleged Violation (“NOAV”), the allegations of which are incorporated herein.

Stelbar is the operator of the Maggard 1-11 Well (API No. 05-121-09518) (“Well”) in Washington County. On February 6, 2015, COGCC Staff discovered that an unlined produced water pit had recently been constructed to the southwest of the Well during an inspection and two old produced water pits had been closed (Doc. No. 678200103). These actions were taken without prior Commission approval and submission of the necessary documentation. Staff also discovered a historic release that had never been reported.

On March 13, 2015, COGCC Staff issued Notice of Alleged Violation (“NOAV”) No. 200426372 to Stelbar for violations at the Well of the following Rules:

- a. Rule 303.b.(1)C (Oil and Gas Location Assessment) for the failure to file and obtain prior approval of a Form 2A before constructing the new pit;
- b. Rule 903.a.(1) (Pit Permitting/Reporting Requirements) for the failure to file and obtain prior approval of a Form 15 before constructing the new pit;
- c. Rule 905.b. (Closure of pits, and buried or partially buried produced water vessels) for the failure to file and obtain prior approval of a Form 27 before closing the old pits; and
- d. Rule 906.b. (Reporting spills or releases of E&P Waste or produced fluids) for the failure to report a spill/release of produced fluids.

COGCC Staff requests that Stelbar be found in violation of rules cited above and assessed a penalty pursuant to Rule 523.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to: 1) the general jurisdiction granted to the Commission under § 34-60-105 C.R.S.; 2) specific powers granted pursuant to § 34-60-106 C.R.S.; 3) the State Administrative Procedure Act at § 24-4-105 C.R.S.; and 4) the 500-Series Rules, that the Commission has scheduled the above-entitled matter for hearing on:

Date: Monday, July 20, 2015
Tuesday, July 21, 2015

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
1120 Lincoln St. Suite 801
Denver, CO 80203

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if any party requires special accommodations as a result of a disability for this hearing, please contact Margaret Humecki at (303) 894-2100 ext. 5139, prior to the hearing and arrangements will be made.

Pursuant to said hearing in the above-entitled matter at the time and place aforesaid, or at any adjourned meeting, the Commission will enter such orders as it deems appropriate to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public and to prevent the waste of oil and gas, either or both, in the operations of said field, and to carry out the purposes of the statute.

In accordance with Rule 509., any interested party desiring to protest the granting of the application or to intervene on the application should file with the Commission a written protest or intervention no later than July 6, 2015, briefly stating the basis of the protest or intervention. One electronic, one original and two copies shall be filed with the Commission. Anyone who files a protest or intervention must be able to participate in a prehearing conference during the week of July 6, 2015. Pursuant to Rule 503.g., if a party who has received notice under Rule 503.b. wishes to receive further pleadings in the above-referenced matter, that party must file a protest or intervention in accordance with these rules.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By  _____
Julie Murphy, Secretary

Dated: May 28, 2015

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