# STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD GOVERNING SUBMERGED OFFSHORE LANDS OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

#### CHAPTER 400-2-2 PERMITTING OF WELLS

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# 400-2-2-.01 Well Permit.

- (1) **Activities Requiring Permits**. The following activities require permits:
  - (a) Drilling of any well in search of oil or gas;
  - (b) Drilling a Class II injection well or converting any well to a Class II injection well for enhanced recovery or for the disposal of salt water and other wastes produced in association with oil or gas operations;
  - (c) Drilling or converting any well for the development of reservoirs or solution-mined cavities for the underground storage of liquid or gaseous hydrocarbons; or
  - (d) Reentry of a plugged and abandoned well.
- (2) **Permit Requirements**. Prior to initiating any of the activities identified in section (1) above, an application on either Form OGB-1, OGB-1A, or OGB-1B, whichever is appropriate, shall be filed with and approval obtained from the Supervisor or the Board. If applicable, applicants should also refer to Rule 400-4-1-.01, et seq. relating to Rules and Regulations Governing Class II Underground Injection Control Operations, Rule 400-5-1-.01, et seq. relating to Rules and Regulations Governing Underground Storage of Gas in Reservoirs, or Rule 400-6-1-.01, et seq. relating to Rules and Regulations Governing Underground Storage of Gas in Solution-Mined Cavities. Such applications shall be accompanied by:
  - (a) A check or bank draft in the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) payable to the State Treasurer, State of Alabama, which sum is fixed as the fee for the approval of a permit to

- drill. No permit fee is required if the application is submitted for the purpose of obtaining approval to convert or deepen a well;
- (b) A plat, in triplicate, prepared by a licensed land surveyor showing the entire offshore tract and the surface and bottom hole locations of the proposed well within said offshore tract. The plat shall be drawn to the scale of one (1) inch equals two thousand (2,000) feet, unless otherwise stipulated by the Supervisor. The plat shall show the direction of north, and the latitude and longitude in decimal degrees to five (5) significant digits and state plane coordinates of the proposed well. The plat shall show the distances of the proposed well to the nearest unit boundaries and offshore tract or section boundaries and from the nearest well in the same offshore tract or section completed in or drilling to the same reservoir. The plat shall also show the location and status of all other wells that have been drilled in said offshore tract or section. For the purpose of designating the unit in which the proposed well is to be drilled, the boundaries of such unit shall be shown. For wells drilled in areas where offshore tracts for submerged offshore lands have not been established, or if the well is being drilled from submerged offshore lands to a bottom hole onshore location, the plat shall be drawn to the specifications of the Supervisor;
- (c) An Affidavit of Ownership or Control on Form OGB-2, whereby the applicant verifies that he owns or has control of one hundred percent (100%) of the drilling rights with respect to the oil and gas in and under the land comprising either the drilling unit or the drainage and production unit, or an Affidavit of Ownership or Control, Underground Injection Control on Form OGB-2C, whereby the applicant verifies that he owns or has control of one hundred percent (100%) of the interests having rights to conduct Class II well operations in and under the land on which the well is located, or an Affidavit of Ownership or Control, Natural Gas Storage Operations on Form OGB-2D, whereby the applicant verifies that he owns or has control of one hundred percent (100%) of the interests having rights to conduct Natural Gas Storage Operations, whichever is applicable;
- (d) A bond on Form OGB-3 (single well) or OGB-4 (blanket bond) required by Rule 400-2-2-.04 relating to Bond, unless such requirement has been previously satisfied. If two or more persons are designated on the application as operators then each such person shall file a separate or joint bond if an appropriate bond is not already on file;
- (e) An organization report on Form OGB-5, as prescribed in Rule 400-2-2-.03, unless such requirement has previously been satisfied. If two or more persons are shown as operator on the

- application, then each person shall file a separate organization report or have an organization report on file;
- (f) A statement that all zones containing oil, gas, or fresh water, shall be fully protected by casing and cement;
- (g) Two (2) copies of the following information shall be submitted to the Supervisor with an application for a drilling permit:

#### 1. Casing and Cement.

- (i) A down-hole schematic showing the size of the borehole and the size and anticipated setting depth (measured and true vertical depths) and cement top for each casing string and liner;
- (ii) A tabular listing of the size, grade, thread, weight (lbs./ft.), minimum internal yield pressure, test pressure and anticipated setting depth for each casing string and liner;
- (iii) A tabular listing of the anticipated type, volume (cu. ft.) and calculated top of cement for each casing string and liner; and
- (iv) A vertical section for directionally drilled wells showing the planned trajectory of the borehole from the mud line to proposed total depth.
- 2. **Mud**. A tabular listing of the anticipated type and density (lbs./gal.) of mud in the various depth intervals of the wellbore, including the estimated pore pressure and fracture gradient in each respective depth interval.

#### 3. Blowout Prevention.

- (i) A schematic showing the type, number and arrangement of blowout preventers to be in place before drilling below each casing string and liner;
- (ii) A tabular listing of the rated working pressure and test pressure anticipated at the time of initially testing each preventer, including the minimum internal yield pressure of the casing string on which it will be installed and the maximum anticipated surface pressure to be encountered after installation;
- (iii) Written justification for any extensions between blowout preventer pressure tests that the operator feels are warranted.

- 4. Drilling Rig Specifications. Current specifications of the anticipated drilling facility, unless previously filed with the Board. If the actual drilling facility used is different from that identified in the application, the operator shall notify the Supervisor in writing and provide the necessary specifications.
- 5. Listing of Drilling Problems. A listing and description of potential problems that are anticipated during drilling of the proposed well (such as zones of abnormal pressure or lost circulation) and the methods proposed to control such problems.
- 6. Report of Shallow Hazards. A report of shallow hazards required by Rule 400-2-8-.01 relating to Survey of Shallow Hazards.
- 7. **Certificate of Compliance** If applicable, an Operator's Certificate of Compliance for Operations Involving Hydrogen Sulfide, Form OGB-24, required by Rule 400-2-8-.04

# 8. Area Contingency Spill Response Plan.

- (i) An area contingency spill response plan required by Rule 400-2-8-.03(9) relating to Pollution Prevention and Control. This requirement may be satisfied by reference to an approved and current plan on file with the Board.
- (ii) If multiple completions are anticipated, available information required by Rule 400-2-6-.05 relating to Procedures for Multiple Completions shall be submitted with the permit application. If said information is not available at the time the permit is filed, it shall be submitted to the Supervisor for approval prior to commencing said completions.
- (iii) If applicable and available, the approved discharge permit(s) required by section (3) of Rule 400-2-8-.03 relating to Pollution Prevention and Control.
- (iv) Additional information as deemed necessary may be requested by the Supervisor.
- (3) The Board may require notice and hearing on any application for a drilling permit in submerged offshore lands.
- (4) **Deepening**. Prior to deepening a well below its permitted depth, an operator shall obtain approval of the Supervisor and, thereafter, such person shall immediately file Form OGB-1, OGB-1A or OGB-1B, whichever is appropriate. There is no fee required for

a permit to deepen a well previously drilled or being drilled under a permit issued by the Supervisor.

#### (5) Directional Drilling.

- (a) All wells must be drilled with due diligence to maintain a reasonably vertical wellbore; however, upon application by an operator to drill a well that is to be intentionally deviated and directionally controlled, a permit may be issued by the Supervisor, provided that the proposed location of the bottom hole in the deviated well at the depth of the proposed producing zone is in compliance with the applicable spacing rules. The application for a permit to directionally drill shall be made in the manner prescribed above using Form OGB-1B, and the survey plat must show the proposed bottom hole location in addition to the surface location of the well.
- (b) If an operator desires to directionally drill or sidetrack a permitted well, such operator, prior to initiating, any activities shall file with the Supervisor Form OGB-1B and a plat showing the surface location and the proposed bottom hole location of the directionally drilled or sidetracked well.
- (c) In the event an operator, in good faith, proceeds with the drilling of a well and thereafter, decides to directionally drill or sidetrack the well, such operator shall obtain prior approval of the Supervisor and, hereafter, shall immediately file with the Supervisor Form OGB-1B and a plat showing the surface location and the proposed bottom hole location of the directionally drilled or sidetracked well.
- (d) If an operator desires to deviate a well so as to straighten the wellbore or to drill around an obstruction in the wellbore, such operator shall first obtain approval of the Supervisor and shall file a written report to the Supervisor within thirty (30) days from the completion of said deviation setting forth the facts of the operation.
- (6) **Permit Approval Procedures**. Applications for permits to drill, deepen, convert, or reenter that do not comply with submerged offshore lands rules or applicable special field rules shall be approved or rejected by the Board, after due notice and hearing. Applications in compliance with submerged offshore lands rules or applicable special field rules may be approved by the Supervisor. Drilling, deepening, converting or reentering shall not begin until such permit is issued.
- (7) **Expiration of a Permit**. A permit shall expire six (6) months from the date of issuance if the permitted well has not been spudded.

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# 400-2-2-.02 Spacing Of Wells.

- (1) Each well drilled in search of oil or gas shall be spaced on either (a) a drilling unit or (b) a drainage or production unit. A drilling unit is an administrative unit established by the Board to provide and allow for the drilling of a well. A drainage or production unit is the area in a pool that may be drained efficiently and economically by one well. Prior to the establishment of a field and the establishment of drainage or production units within the field, an operator may drill a well on a drilling unit. Furthermore, with respect to wells drilled in submerged offshore lands, a well may also be drilled on a "drilling unit" or a "drilling and development unit." When the Board, after notice and hearing, establishes a field for a pool, special field rules apply for that field. The special field rules designate, among other things, the drainage or production units for the field. Thereafter, wells are drilled on the drainage or production units designated in the special field rules. The term "spacing unit" is used from time to time in these regulations. A spacing unit is either (a) a drilling unit, (b) a drilling and development unit, or (c) a drainage or production unit. For simplicity, the term "production unit" is hereinafter used from time to time in place of the longer term "drainage and production unit." A spacing unit shall not include any part of another unit established for the same pool.
- (2) The spacing for a well to be drilled to a pool or pools in an established field shall be governed by special field rules for that particular field. With respect to a well to be drilled to a pool or pools that are not governed by special field rules, the following spacing provisions shall be applicable for drilling and development units and for drilling units within an offshore tract.
  - (a) Where the operator owns or controls one hundred percent (100%) of working interest in the entire offshore tract, drilling and development units for wells deeper than six thousand (6,000) feet true vertical depth (TVD) may be permitted on an entire offshore tract, three-quarter (3/4) offshore tract, or one-half (1/2) offshore tract. Offshore tract lines may be projected across land areas to determine the appropriate unit boundaries. More than one well may be permitted on a drilling and development unit; however, no production except for testing can occur until unit operations are approved or until special field rules establishing appropriate production units are approved by the Board.
  - (b) Where the operator owns or controls one hundred percent (100%) of working interest in the entire offshore tract,

drilling and development units for wells six thousand (6,000) feet true vertical depth (TVD) or shallower may be permitted on a one-half (1/2) offshore tract, or one-quarter(1/4) offshore tract. Offshore tract lines may be projected across land areas to determine the appropriate unit boundaries. More than one well may be permitted on a drilling and development unit; however, no production except for testing can occur until unit operations are approved or until special field rules establishing appropriate production units are approved by the Board.

- (c) Drilling units for wells deeper than six thousand (6,000) feet true vertical depth (TVD) will be permitted on a one-quarter (1/4) offshore tract for regular offshore tracts. For irregular offshore tracts where regular one-quarter offshore tract units cannot be established, a drilling unit comprising up to fourteen hundred (1,400) acres may be permitted. Offshore tract lines may be projected across land areas to determine the unit boundaries. No production except for testing can occur until unit operations are approved or until special field rules establishing appropriate production units are approved by the Board.
- (d) Drilling units for wells six thousand (6,000) feet true vertical depth (TVD) or shallower will be permitted on a quarter-quarter offshore tract for regular offshore tracts. For irregular offshore tracts where quarter-quarter units cannot be established, a drilling unit comprising up to three hundred sixty (360) acres may be permitted. Offshore tract lines may be projected across land areas to determine the unit boundaries. No production except for testing can occur until unit operations are approved or until special field rules establishing appropriate production units are approved by the Board.
- (e) Wells to be drilled deeper than six thousand (6,000) feet true vertical depth (TVD) shall be located at least one thousand three hundred twenty (1,320) feet from every exterior boundary of the drilling and development unit or drilling units, and no closer than five hundred (500) feet from the State/Federal boundary. Wells to be drilled six thousand (6,000) feet TVD or shallower shall be located at least six hundred sixty (660) feet from every exterior boundary of the drilling and development units or drilling units, and no closer than five hundred (500) feet from the State/Federal boundary.
- (f) The Board may approve a drilling and development unit or drilling unit consisting of portions of offshore tracts equal to an entire offshore tract, a three-quarter offshore tract or a one-half offshore tract, where it is shown, after notice and hearing, and the Board finds that a well located at a regular

location on an offshore tract would cause the drilling of unnecessary wells.

- (3) With respect to a well to be drilled to a pool or pools that are not governed by special field rules, the following spacing provisions shall be applicable for drilling units within submerged offshore lands that are not within an offshore tract.
  - (a) A well may be drilled on a drilling unit consisting of a governmental quarter-quarter section (approximately 40 acres). Such well shall be located at least three hundred thirty (330) feet from every exterior boundary of the drilling unit.
  - (b) A well may be drilled on a drilling unit consisting of a governmental quarter section (approximately 160 acres). The Supervisor may require written justification for the drilling unit. Such well shall be located at least six hundred sixty (660) feet from every exterior boundary of the drilling unit.
  - (c) A well to be drilled in search of gas in the Counties of Baldwin or Mobile may be drilled on a drilling unit consisting of a governmental section (approximately 640 acres). The Supervisor may require written justification for the drilling unit. Such well shall be located at least one thousand three hundred twenty (1,320) feet from every exterior boundary of the drilling unit. The operator shall designate on the permit application an alternate one hundred sixty (160) acre drilling unit, and the well shall be located at least six hundred sixty (660) feet from every exterior boundary of the alternate unit. If said well is completed as an oil well, then the spacing for the well shall automatically revert to the designated alternate one hundred sixty (160) acre drilling unit until the proper spacing for said well is determined by the Board after notice and hearing.
  - (d) The Supervisor, upon receipt of written justification from an operator, may approve a permit application under sections (3)(a) through (3)(c) above for a well to be drilled on a drilling unit consisting of approximately 40, 160, or 640 contiguous surface acres other than a governmental section or division thereof as set forth herein.
  - (e) The Supervisor may require that a well to be drilled on a drilling unit contiguous with an existing field be drilled and completed as an extension of the field, in accordance with spacing provisions in the special field rules thereof. If, however, an operator provides written justification that such proposed well will likely be completed in a pool or pools not defined in the special field rules for said field, the Supervisor may approve the drilling and completion of such well in compliance with the spacing provisions as set forth herein.

- (f) No well shall be drilled within two hundred (200) feet of any permanent residence, unless otherwise approved by the Board.
- (4) Pursuant to Section 9-17-12(c) of the Code of Alabama (1975), the Board may grant an exception to the spacing rules as may be reasonably necessary where it is shown, after notice and hearing, and the Board finds that the unit is partly outside the pool, or for some other reason, a well located in accordance with applicable rules would be nonproductive, would not be at the optimum position in such spacing unit for the most efficient and economic drainage of the unit, or where topographical conditions are such as to make the drilling at an authorized location on the unit unduly burdensome or where an exception is necessary to prevent confiscation of property. Provided, however, that an exceptional location order issued by the Board for a well shall expire one (1) year from the date of issuance of the order unless a well has been spudded at said exceptional location.

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### 400-2-2-.03 Bond.

(1) Before any person(s) shall commence drilling, completing, converting, operating, or producing any oil, gas, or Class II injection well, including production facilities, processing facilities, injection facilities, underground storage facilities in reservoirs, offshore plants, pipelines, and other equipment associated with such well, said person(s) shall file with the Board a single well bond on Form OGB-3. Such bond shall be payable to the State of Alabama, executed by said person(s) as principal(s), and by a surety approved by the Supervisor or Board; conditioned that such person(s) shall, in connection with the drilling, completing, converting, operating, or producing of such well, including production facilities, processing facilities, injection facilities, underground storage facilities in reservoirs, plants, pipelines, and other equipment associated with such well, prevent the escape of oil or gas out of one stratum to another, prevent the intrusion of water into any oil or gas stratum from a separate stratum, prevent the pollution of the sea, prevent pollution of all surface and ground water; conditioned also that such person(s) shall file all reports required by the Board, including drilling records and all logs of such well, if taken, and shall file drill cuttings and cores or core chips, if cores are taken, within six (6) months from the time of completion of such well, and in the event such well does not produce oil or gas in commercially profitable quantities or ceases to produce oil or gas in commercially profitable quantities or if the operations

of such well shall cease for a period of six (6) months or if such well should become dangerous to the public, such person(s) shall plug and abandon such well in compliance with Rule 400-2-4-.11, dispose of all tank fluids in compliance with Rule 400-2-4-.10, clear the location in compliance with Rule 400-2-4-.13; and conditioned further that such person(s) shall drill, operate, produce, and plug and abandon, such well, and that such person(s) shall dispose of tank fluids, clear the location, and maintain the site in compliance with all lawful rules, regulations, and orders of the Board now existing or hereafter promulgated, and with the laws of the State of Alabama now existing or hereafter enacted. The amount of such bond shall be in accordance with the following relationship to measured depth:

Measured depth (ft)	Amount of bond required
0 - 6,000	\$100,000
Greater than 6,000	\$500,000

- (2) The Board may, however, accept a blanket bond on Form OGB-4 in the amount of one million (\$1,000,000). Such blanket bond shall be conditioned upon the same requirements as set forth for single well bonds, except that a blanket bond may apply to more than one well. Furthermore, the Board may require a separate Bond of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) for an operator of a processing plant and associated facilities and pipelines where such plant operator does not operate any oil and gas wells.
- (3) Any such bond filed with the Board, including any amendment or addendum thereto, must set forth the correct legal name and address of the principal and the surety thereto and must be countersigned by an Alabama agent of such surety, setting forth the correct legal name of such agent and such agent's company affiliation and correct business address. If more than one person is to be designated as operator, then each such person shall file a separate bond or a joint bond, whichever is appropriate.
- (4) Provided, further, the Board, in its reasonable discretion for good cause, after notice and hearing, may require a different amount of bond because of environmentally sensitive conditions at the site or for other justifiable reasons for good cause and may deem and determine any existing bond to be inadequate and may require the filing of a new bond, that shall be approved by the Board or Supervisor, upon the Board's own motion or upon petition by any party allowed to file a petition by these rules and regulations, and the amount of such bond required may be more or less than hereinabove set forth.

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## 400-2-2-.04 Organization Reports.

Every person acting as principal or agent for another or independently engaged in the drilling, production, injection, transportation, reclaiming, treating, or processing of oil, condensate, gas, or wastes associated with oil and gas operations shall file with the Board a report on Form OGB-5, Organization Report, reflecting the exact legal name under which such person or business is being operated or conducted, the exact corporate name, if such is incorporated, and the place of incorporation of such corporation, the name and post office address of such person, the business in which such person is engaged, and, in the case of a corporation, the state in which such corporation is incorporated, and the names and post office addresses of any persons acting as trustees, together with the names of the manager, agent, or executive thereof, and the names and post office addresses of any officers thereof. Prior to submitting the aforesaid report, all foreign corporations shall obtain a certificate of authority from the Secretary of State for the State of Alabama to transact business in the state. In the case where such business is conducted under an assumed name, or as a partnership or sole proprietorship, such report shall reflect the names and post office addresses of all owners or general partners in addition to the other information herein required. The aforesaid report shall be resubmitted every two (2) years or immediately after any change occurs as to facts previously submitted.

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## 400-2-2-.05 Change Of Operator.

- (1) The operator of record shall immediately notify the Supervisor in writing of any agreement or other transaction, by which a new operator is to be designated for a well or wells, including all associated production, processing, injection, plant, and gathering line and pipeline facilities, and all other equipment associated with such well or wells. Such notification shall include, but not be limited to, identification of the proposed new operator and a list of wells and all associated facilities and equipment.
- (2) Within sixty (60) days of the effective date of any agreement or other transaction causing a change of operator, any person or persons desiring to become the new operator of a well or wells must submit for approval to the Supervisor Form OGB-1E, Application for Change of Operator. A single Application for

Change of Operator, Form OGB-1E, may be filed requesting a change of operator for multiple wells, facilities, and equipment. Form OGB-1E shall be signed by both the operator of record or present operator and the proposed new operator, with both parties applying to change the operator for the well or wells, including all associated production, processing, injection, plant, and gathering line and pipeline facilities, and all other equipment associated with such well or wells.

- (3) In the application for Change of Operator, Form OGB-1E, the new operator shall acknowledge that it has ownership or control of one hundred percent (100%) of the rights to drill and produce with respect to oil and gas underlying the lands comprising the unit assigned to the well or wells in which a change of operator is requested. Further, the Application for Change of Operator (Form OGB-1E) shall be accompanied by a bond on Form OGB-3 or OGB-4, whichever is appropriate, if such requirement has not been fulfilled as prescribed in Rule 400-2-2-.04, relating to Bond; an Operator's Certificate of Compliance and Authorization to Transport Oil, Gas, or Condensate from Well on Form OGB-12 if required by Rule 400-2-7-.01; an Operator's Certificate of Compliance for Operations Involving Hydrogen Sulfide on Form OGB-24 and other sour gas filing requirements prescribed in Rule 400-2-8-.04 if required by Rule 400-2-8-.04; and an Organization Report on Form OGB-5, if not already on file with the Board and current.
- (4) In the event that the new operator is uncertain whether it owns or controls one hundred percent (100%) of the rights to drill or produce, then the new operator may petition the Board to delay filing of the Application for Change of Operator, Form OGB-1E. The Board may, after notice and hearing for good cause, delay the filing of the Application for Change of Operator, Form OGB-1E, for a period of up to 120 days thereby allowing the new operator time to ensure that the operator owns one hundred percent (100%) of the ownership rights or to force pool and integrate the interests in the unit or units assigned to the well or wells for which a change of operator is requested. The Board, on the petition by the new operator after notice and hearing for good cause, may delay for an additional period beyond 120 days the filing of the Application of Change of Operator, Form OGB-1E.
- (5) In addition to the filing of an Application for Change of Operator on Form OGB-1E as required in section (2) and the additional filing requirements in section (3), filing requirements for Class II injection wells shall include, an Application for Permit to Inject Fluids on Form OGB-1C, an Affidavit of Ownership or Control, Underground Injection Control on Form OGB-2C, an affidavit of source, and a current analysis of fluids being injected.
- (6) In addition to the filing of an Application for Change of Operator on Form OGB-1E as required in section (2) and the

additional filing requirements in section (3), filing requirements for change of operator for a natural gas storage operation shall include an Application for Permit to Inject Storage Gas on Form OGB-1D, and an Affidavit of Ownership or Control, Natural Gas Storage Operations on Form OGB-2D.

- (7) If the request for a change of operator pertains to a well which has not been drilled or completed, and the new operator wishes to drill and complete said well in accordance with the casing and cement, mud, and blowout prevention programs and report of shallow hazards filed as a part of the permit application, the new operator must submit a written statement to the Supervisor stating that it has reviewed the above mentioned information and will drill and complete the well in conformance with those programs. In such case, the refiling of the casing and cement, mud, and blowout prevention programs and report of shallow hazards documents may not be necessary.
- (8) Prior to the Supervisor's approval of an Application for Change of Operator on Form OGB-1E, the current operator of record must be in compliance with the Board's submission requirements for forms and geologic data, such as logs, cuttings and cores for the subject well(s).
- (9) The Supervisor may waive any filing requirements, or request additional information, associated with an application for change of operator.
- (10) The Application for Change of Operator, Form OGB-1E, shall become effective upon approval by the Supervisor. Until such approval, the current operator of record shall be responsible for ensuring continued compliance with all applicable laws, and all rules, regulations, and orders, including special field rules, promulgated by the Board.
- (11) When the operator is a corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, or general partnership that is not publicly traded and when the majority of the ownership of the entity designated by the Board as operator changes, as a result of one or more transactions within a six-month period then the operator shall immediately notify the Supervisor in writing that the majority of the ownership has changed. Within sixty (60) days of the effective date of such change in ownership, the operator shall file a new Organization Report on Form OGB-5 showing the new ownership.

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