ALABAMA STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD GOVERNING THE UNDERGROUND STORAGE OF GAS IN SOLUTION-MINED CAVITIES ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

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400-6-11-.02 Shut-In Status.

A storage operator may request that a storage well and the storage cavity be placed in a shut-in status for a period of one (1) year by submitting a written statement to the Supervisor if the storage well and the storage cavity are capable of safely storing gas but must remain shut-in until connected to permanent facilities, or for some other reason. Upon approval of the request by the Supervisor, the storage well and the storage cavity will be placed in a shut-in status for a period of one (1) year. The storage well and the storage cavity may be classified as shut-in upon receipt of a written request to the Supervisor identifying the reason (s) why the storage well and storage cavity is shut-in and the date that storage operations are expected to begin. The Board may grant a request for continuation of this shut-in status beyond the approved one (1) year if justified by the storage operator in writing. The Supervisor may require shut-in procedures other than those proposed by the storage operator. Author: State Oil And Gas Board Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §§9-17-1 et seq. History: New Rule: Filed April 11, 2000; effective May 16, 2000.