

Illinois Oil and Gas Advisory Board  
I.O.G.A. Office, Mt. Vernon, IL  
September 13, 2018

Voting Board Members in Attendance

Bryan Dicus, Chairman  
Kyle Kingston, Vice Chairman  
Casey Lampley, Secretary  
Stephanie Storckman  
Bob Herr  
Steve Persinger  
Larry Miller

Non-Voting Board Members in Attendance

Mike Mankowski, OOGRM Director  
Craig Hedin, IOGA President  
Jarred Tynes, IOGA Member

DNR-OORGM Guests / Presenters in Attendance

Ronald A. Hutmacher  
Doug Shutt

Guests in Attendance

Brad Richards  
Mathew L. McArthy  
J. Nelson Wood

- 1) Mr. Dicus called the meeting to order @ 10:07am.
- 2) Ms. Storckman moved to approve last meeting's minutes. Seconded by Mr. Persinger.
- 3) Round Table Discussion

A) Section 240.125 Notice

No changes.

B) Section 240.140 Notice of Noncompliance

Paragraph a) amended to include "If the District Office denies the request, the permittee may submit the request to the Director."

Paragraph a) amended to replace "120" with "180".

Mr. Herr moved to accept changes to Section 240.125 and Section 240.140 to include changes suggested by the board. Seconded by Mr. Persinger. Motion carried.

C) Section 240.150 Notice of Violation

Paragraph a) amended to replace "...the inspector shall make reasonable efforts to locate the person or permittee and notify them of the conditions or issue a cessation order pursuant to Section 240.185" with "...the inspector shall comply with the requirements of Section 240.185."

Paragraph c)4) amended to remove "including the emission of hydrogen sulfide gas".

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Mr. Persinger moved to accept changes to Section 240.150 to include changes suggested by the board. Seconded by Mr. Herr. Motion carried.

D) Section 240.160 Director's Decision

Paragraph a)1)B) amended to replace "five" with "three".

Paragraph d) items have been renumbered to include additional items and amended as follows:

Paragraph d)5) amended to correct the typo "replay" with "repay".

Paragraph d)13) amended to remove "or natural gas release".

Paragraph d)14) amended to include "failure to notify the Department of a natural gas incident at an underground natural gas storage facility;". New item.

Paragraph d)15) amended to remove "or natural gas release". Renumbered from d)14).

Paragraph d)16) amended to include "failure to provide emergency response for a natural gas incident at an underground natural gas storage facility;". New item.

Paragraph d)17) amended to include "failure to provide notice of a natural gas incident as required by Section 7.5 of the Act;". New item.

Paragraph d)18) renumbered from d)15).

Paragraph d)19) renumbered from d)16).

Paragraph d)20) amended to correct the typo "oe" with "or". Renumbered from d)17).

Paragraph d)21) amended to include "knowingly". Renumbered from item d)18).

Paragraph d)22) renumbered from d)19).

Paragraph d)23) renumbered from d)20).

Paragraph d)24) renumbered from d)21).

Paragraph d)25) renumbered from d)22).

Paragraph d)26) renumbered from d)23).

Paragraph d)27) renumbered from d)24).

Paragraph d)28) renumbered from d)25).

Paragraph i)4) amended to remove "or," and include ", or additional or modified civil penalties,".

Ms. Storckman moved to accept changes to Section 240.160. Ms. Storckman withdrew her motion to engage in further discussion.

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Mr. Herr moved to accept changes to Section 240.160 to include changes suggested by the board. Seconded by Ms. Storckman. Motion carried.

E) Section 240.185 Cessation of Operations Order

No changes.

F) Section 240.190 Temporary Relief Hearings

No changes.

Mr. Kingston moved to accept Section 240.185 and Section 240.190 as presented. Seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion carried.

G) Section 240.311 Application for Freshwater Aquifer Exemption

No changes.

Mr. Herr moved to accept Section 240.311 as presented. Seconded by Mr. Persinger. Motion carried.

H) Section 240.1805 Definitions

No changes.

I) Section 240.1853 Annular Pressure Monitoring

No changes.

J) Section 240.1880 Natural Gas Release Notification

No changes.

K) Section 240.1885 Natural Gas Incident Notice to Department

No changes.

L) Section 240.1890 Inspection Fees for Underground Natural Gas Storage Fields Within Footprint of Sole Source Aquifer

No changes.

Many board members concerned that no gas storage representatives were present at the meeting.

Mr. Persinger moved to accept Sections 240.1805, 1853, 1880, 1885, and 1890 as presented to the board. Seconded by Mr. Lampley. Motion carried.

M) Deepening Discussion

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Mr. Dicus brought up the scenario of an operator needing a small amount of depth beyond the permitted depth to see the desired formation or to be able to log etc. Mr. Shutt said the department's concern was communication between the bottom zones that was unknown due to drilling past permitted depth. Mr. Mankowski indicated that this deals largely with what the word "test" means in relation to drilling operations. The board decided to table this topic until the next meeting.

4) New Business

Mr. Hedin asked the Department representatives if TPH (total petroleum hydrocarbons) tests were not enough to release a spill. Must crops grow? Mr. Mankowski indicated that crops should also be able to grow. Mr. Mankowski also said that an agreement between operators and the landowner would mitigate and release the spill.

Mr. Hedin said he would like to see an improvement on timeframes for hearings.

Mr. Dicus said that Mr. Kingston is going off the board, and nominations are needed for next meeting.

5) Public Participation.

No public participation.

6) Next Meeting set for 10am on November 8, 2018 @ the IOGA office in Mt. Vernon, IL.

7) Mr. Miller moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Persinger. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 1:36pm.