Senator John A. Alario, Jr., President
Senator Gerald Long, Natural Resource Committee Chairman
Representative Chuck Kleckley, Speaker
Representative Gordon E. Dove, Sr., Natural Resources and Environment Committee Chairman

Via Statutorily Prescribed E-mail

Re: Report of Proposed Amendment to
Office of Conservation Rules and Regulations
LAC 43:XIX. 311 and 313 (Statewide Order No. 29-B)

Dear Oversight Authorities:

The Commissioner of Conservation proposes to amend LAC 43:XIX. to add section 405 in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act R.S. 49:950 et seq., and pursuant to the power delegated under the laws of the state of Louisiana. The proposed amendment is made to implement application requirements for carbon dioxide enhanced oil recovery.

I. Copy of the rule as it is proposed for amendment per La R.S. 49:968.C(1):

See the attached Notice of Intent.

II. Statement of the proposed action per La R.S. 49:968.C(2):

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III. The specific citation of the enabling legislation purporting to authorize amendment of the rule per La R.S. 49:968.C(3):

La R.S 30:4et seq.

IV. Statement of the circumstances requiring amendment of the rule per La R.S. 49:968.C(4):

The proposed amendment was initiated in an effort to implement application requirements for carbon dioxide enhanced oil recovery. While there are currently application requirements for enhanced oil recovery generally, there are none specific to issues associated with the use of carbon dioxide.
V. Statement of the fiscal and economic impact of the proposed rule amendment per La R.S. 49:968.C(5):

The fiscal and economic impact statement is attached to this report.

A notice of intent to initiate rule-making will be published in the Louisiana Register on January 20 2015, with a public hearing on the proposal scheduled for February 26, 2015 at 9:00 AM.

Please contact me at 225-342-7889 if there are any questions.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

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Attachments