

## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Administrative Policy #: 19  
Effective Date: June 8, 2011  
Subject: Oil and Gas  
Infrastructure  
Information Sharing  
Authorization: R.S. 36:354

### **I. POLICY:**

It is a general policy of the Department to share as much information as possible with its customers. However, we also recognize the inherent sensitivity of some information and the need to ensure it is used for the best interest of the citizens of the State of Louisiana. Moreover, in this day and age pipeline and infrastructure safety and security are given heightened sensitivity as the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) within the Department of Transportation (DOT), the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) within the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), the Federal Energy Regulatory Administration (FERC) and other agencies develop strategies to improve safety and security practices, promote compliance with mandatory and permissive regulations and measures and reduce or preclude future risks and problems. The Louisiana State Police Analytical and Fusion Exchange (LA-SAFE) center is designed as an effective and efficient mechanism to exchange information and intelligence, maximize resources, streamline operations, and improve the ability to fight crime and terrorism by analyzing data from a variety of sources, and functions as a conduit for implementing portions of the National Criminal Intelligence Sharing Plan (NCISP), with the goal of maximizing the ability to detect, prevent, investigate, and respond to criminal and terrorist activity. Therefore, it is the policy of the Department that all requests for customized oil and gas pipeline or infrastructure information that we receive must be evaluated by and released to the public by LA-SAFE.

### **II. PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this policy is to set guidelines to be adhered to by all Department employees when a request is made for customized oil and gas pipeline or infrastructure information related to the oil and gas pipeline or infrastructure of the state.

### **III. APPLICABILITY:**

This policy applies to all employees in the Department of Natural Resources.

**IV. PROCEDURES:**

When a request for information regarding oil and gas pipeline or infrastructure is received by an employee of the Department, and this information is not readily available on SONRIS; the request should be forwarded to the Louisiana State Analytical and Fusion Exchange via E-Mail:

LAFUSION.CENTER@DPS.LA.GOV

LA-SAFE (Louisiana State Analytical and Fusion Exchange) will evaluate all requests for information by analyzing the appropriateness of the request and ensuring that the information requested will be utilized for lawful purposes. After LA-SAFE has determined the appropriateness of the request, they will notify the Director of the Technology Assessment Division who will contract the appropriate person at DNR to provide the information. That person will provide the information to the Director of the Technology Assessment who will then transmit it to LA-SAFE to the requesting party.

**V. RESPONSIBILITY:**

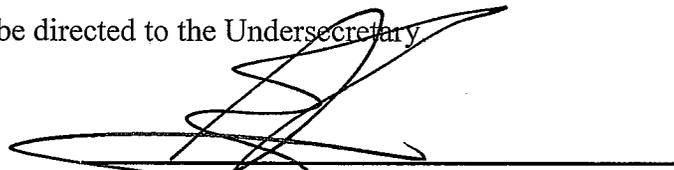
It is the responsibility of each Appointing Authority to assure that employees adhere to this policy.

**VI. EXCLUSIONS:**

Unless otherwise stated herein there shall be no exceptions to this policy except with the written permission from the Secretary or Undersecretary. This policy shall not apply to applications for permission to commingle gas and/or liquid hydrocarbon production.

**VII. QUESTIONS:**

Questions regarding this policy should be directed to the Undersecretary



Robert D. Harper, Undersecretary  
On Behalf of  
Scott A. Angelle, Secretary

6/17/2011  
Date