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AN EXPLANATION OF CHANGES IN OIL AND GAS STATISTICS

Current production data and all future reports will reflect changes due to modifications in the reporting system by the Department of Natural Resources Office of Conservation, Production Audit Section. Only the oil and gas production data in state jurisdiction is affected.

The new data for oil will not include crude oil, condensate or raw make recovered from natural gas processing plants. In the past these products were added to the state production as crude oil or condensate.

A separate report on gas plants liquids production is not available at the present.

In addition, the gas data system has been adjusted to reflect reporting production on the date produced. Previously it had been reported on the date first purchased.

The new reporting system should produce more accurate and timely data.

The Technology Assessment Division is not the source of these data sets, but merely reports data provided to us by the Office of Conservation. However, we understand that users of our time series data need consistency over time. For that reason our time series has been adjusted backwards to 1980 using these new definitions.