

Report on Oil and Gas Field Operations' Violations and Enforcement

CHART 1: OIL AND GAS FIELD OPERATIONS DATA

The data below does not track the identification of a specific violation to enforcement action, as detailed in Chart 3, but rather is time-specific aggregate data.

	FY 2019 Quarter 1	FY 2019 Quarter 2	FY 2019 Quarter 3	FY 2019 Quarter 4	FY 2019 Total
Number of oil and gas inspections performed	33,611	27,803	34,384		95,798
Number of oil and gas facility inspections with no violation	30,539	25,065	31,126		86,730
Number of statewide rule violations	5,524	5,027	5,610		16,161
Number of major statewide rule violations	13	16	11		40
Number of oil and gas complaints received	113	98	163		374
Number of oil and gas complaints resolved	97	91	135		323
Number of pipeline severances/seal orders issued	2,606	6,173	3,135		11,914
Number of district-initiated issuance of severance/seal orders	116	76	98		290
Number of alleged oil and gas violations sent to Office of General Counsel Legal Enforcement	433	366	470		1,269

CHART 2: OIL AND GAS FIELD OPERATIONS VIOLATIONS BY RULE					
	FY 2019 Quarter 1	FY 2019 Quarter 2	FY 2019 Quarter 3	FY 2019 Quarter 4	FY 2019 Total
Number of alleged oil and gas violations sent to Office of General Counsel Legal Enforcement	433	366	470	-	1,269
Rule Number					
3.1: Organization Report; Retention of Records; Notice Requirements	1	0	0		1
3.2: Commission Access to Properties	8	7	2		17
3.3: Identification of Properties, Wells, and Tanks	87	109	105		301
3.5: Application To Drill, Deepen, Reenter, or Plug Back	3	2	1		6
3.8: Water Protection	65	64	85		214
3.9: Disposal Wells	1	0	1		2
3.13: Casing, Cementing, Drilling, and Completion Requirements	28	23	21		72
3.14: Plugging	178	118	101		397
3.15: Surface Equipment Removal Requirements and Inactive Wells	0	1	5		6
3.16: Log and Completion or Plugging Report	15	4	2		21
3.17: Pressure on Bradenhead	5	6	3		14
3.20: Notification of Fire Breaks, Leaks, or Blow-outs	2	6	1		9
3.21: Fire Prevention and Swabbing	14	5	3		22
3.22: Protection of Birds	5	1	0		6
3.26: Separating Devices, Tanks and Surface Commingling of Oil	1	0	0		1

CHART 2: OIL AND GAS FIELD OPERATIONS VIOLATIONS BY RULE, continued					
	FY 2019 Quarter 1	FY 2019 Quarter 2	FY 2019 Quarter 3	FY 2019 Quarter 4	FY 2019 Total
3.27: Gas To Be Measured and Surface Commingling of Gas	0	0	0		0
3.32: Gas Well Gas and Casinghead Gas Shall Be Utilized for Legal Purposes	0	0	0		0
3.36: Oil, Gas, or Geothermal Resource Operation in Hydrogen Sulfide Areas	2	1	2		5
3.46: Fluid Injection into Productive Reservoirs	10	1	2		13
3.57 Reclaiming Tank Bottoms, Other Hydrocarbon Wastes, and Other Waste Materials	1	0	0		1
3.58: Certificate of Compliance and Transportation Authority; Operator Reports	0	0	0		0
3.73: Pipeline Connection; Cancellation of Certificate of Compliance; Severance	4	6	5		15
3.81: Brine Mining Injection Wells	0	1	0		1
3.91: Cleanup of Soil Contaminated by a Crude Oil Spill	0	0	0		0
3.96 Underground Gas Storage	0	0	0		0
3.98: Standards for Management of Hazardous Oil and Gas Waste	1	0	0		1
3.99: Cathodic Protection Well	0	1	0		1
3.106 Sour Gas Pipeline Facility Construction Permit	0	2	0		2
4.611: Oil and Gas NORM Prohibited Disposal	0	0	0		0
TNRC 85.3855: Administrative Penalty	0	0	0		0
TNRC 91.143: False Applications, Reports, and Documents and Tampering with Gauges	2	8	131		141

CHART 3: OIL AND GAS ENFORCEMENT AND DOCKET DATA

The data in Chart 3 does not track the identification of a violation listed in Chart 1 to penalty action. This chart contains time-specific aggregate data. The number of oil and gas enforcement docketed is not necessarily related to the number of violations sent to the Office of General Counsel for docketing in the same time period. Additionally, each docket may contain multiple violations.

	FY 2019 Quarter 1	FY 2019 Quarter 2	FY 2019 Quarter 3	FY 2019 Quarter 4	FY 2019 Total
Number of oil and gas enforcement docketed	59	71	47		177
Number of repeat oil and gas violators based on a seven-year look back of docketed cases	19	30	16		65
Amount of final oil and gas enforcement penalties assessed	\$ 695,609	\$ 1,274,658	\$ 625,104		\$2,595,371