MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY OIL, GAS, AND MINERALS DIVISION

OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS Rule Set 2019-001 EG

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 2019
Constitution Hall
525 West Allegan Street, Lansing, Michigan 48909
ConCon Conference Room, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Oil, Gas, and Minerals Division (OGMD), will hold a public hearing on June 21, 2019 at Constitution Hall in the ConCon Conference Room from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. The hearing will be held to receive public comments on proposed changes to the Oil and Gas Operations administrative rules.

The proposed rule set (2019-001 EG) will amend the current rules by clarifying definitions and terminology in order to demonstrate that the oil and gas regulatory program within the State of Michigan is equally effective as compared to the Class II well program regulated on the federal level by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA). EGLE regulates Class II wells under Part 615, Supervisor of Wells, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (NREPA) and the US EPA regulates the same wells under the Underground Injection Control (UIC) program under the authority of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). These rule updates will position Michigan to apply for Class II well delegated authority (termed primacy) of the US EPA program pursuant to Section 1425 of the SDWA.

These rules are promulgated by authority conferred on the Director of EGLE by Section 61506 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.61506. These rules will become effective 7 days after filing with the Secretary of State.

The rules (2019-001 EG) are published on the Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules' website at Michigan.gov/MOAHR. Click on "Administrative Rules", "Pending Rules Activity" and then "Pending Rule Changes." Under "Rules by Department," click on "Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy." Scroll to ORR 2019-001 EG and click on "Revision Text." The rules will also be published in the May 15, 2019 issue of the *Michigan Register*.

Any interested person is invited to attend and present his or her views. It is requested that all statements be submitted in writing for the hearing record. Anyone unable to attend may submit comments in writing to the address shown below by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 5, 2019. Copies of the draft rules may also be obtained by mail or electronic transmission at the following address:

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The hearing site is accessible, including handicap parking. People with disabilities requiring additional accommodations to participate in the hearing (such as information in alternative formats) should contact the OGMD at 517-284-6823 at least 5 days prior to the hearing date. Individuals attending the meeting are requested to refrain from using heavily scented personal care products in order to enhance accessibility for everyone. Information at this meeting will be presented by speakers and printed handouts.