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In compliance with Colorado Revised Statutes, Section 34-60-104 (III) (A), the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission is submitting its quarterly report to the General Assembly concerning the number of complaints received by the Commission. During this period, the Commission received a total of 53 complaints involving 65 issues.

The report is sorted by the type of complaint and provides information on the complainant's identity and the commission's response.



COGCC Complaint Report January 01, 2008 - March 31, 2008

ACCESS

Type: ACCESS

Date: 02/06/2008

Complainant: Dan Witham

WCR 63

Description of Complaint:

Dan Witham complained that WCR 63 was not adequately maintained for heavy truck traffic. The WCR 63 is unimproved from WCR 78 to 76.

COGCC Response:

COGCC discussed maintenance and commented that Petro-Canada was doing their part to build up WCR 63. COGCC staff recommended to landowner that they should contact county road department about future road grading. Conducted field visit and discovered that Petro-Canada has improved county road to their facilities. Landowner lives beyond Petro-Canada well site.



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BASELINE WATER REQUEST

Type: BASELINE WATER REQUEST

Date: 02/07/2008

Complainant: Steuart Readio

12695 Oxford Road

Longmont

CO

Description of Complaint:

Mr. Readio has a 200 ft water well at his property that he uses for irrigation. Due to well drilling in his immediate area he would like to have his water well sampled.

COGCC Response:

Complainant's water well sampled on February 6, 2008. Analytical results show no oil & gas impacts to the water well. EnCana will resample complainant's water well this summer after drilling adjacent to his property is completed. Letter sent to complainant on February 26, 2008.

Type: BASELINE WATER REQUEST

Date: 02/13/2008

Complainant: Kazuko Nosaka

Description of Complaint:

Request for water quality analyses due to drilling nearby.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff made a field visit and collected samples from water well for general inorganic water quality parameters, dissolved methane and BART kit test. Results pending.

Type: BASELINE WATER REQUEST

Date: 02/21/2008

Complainant: Virginia Yeatts

19009 Wild Turkey RD

Weston

CO

810918721

Description of Complaint:

Ms. Yeatts is concerned about possible impacts to their water well from nearby CBM drilling and production operations.



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COGCC Response:

Visited site and collected water samples from well for general inorganic water quality parameters and dissolved methane analysis as well as BART kit tests. Results of lab study pending.

Type: BASELINE WATER REQUEST

Date: 01/25/2008

Complainant: Val VanArtsdalen

8350 Widow Woman Canyon

Trinidad

CO

810828506

Description of Complaint:

Methane at high concentrations in water and venting from water well

COGCC Response:

Sampled tap in kitchen to determine what concentration of methane present in water after transport to two large outdoor vented cisterns. Also took samples for BART test kits. Discussed methods of venting well and cistern and possible need for active removal of methane from water before bringing into house. Results of lab study pending.

Type: BASELINE WATER REQUEST

Date: 03/12/2008

Complainant: Lee Gisclon

19558 Aspen Rose Drive

Weston

CO

81091

Description of Complaint:

Mr. Gisclon is concerned about possible impacts to water quality as more CBM wells are drilled near his property.

COGCC Response:

Sampled water from hydrant near well head for analysis of general inorganic water quality parameters and BART kit. Results pending.



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DUST

Type: DUST **Date:** 01/17/2008
Complainant: Mary Anderson 12447 WCR 76 Eaton CO 80615

Description of Complaint:

Mary Anderson complained to EPA about dust on WCR 76 between WCR 23 and 27. EPA-Cindy Beeler forwarded complaint via email. This well is used for API tracking control.

COGCC Response:

Petro-Canada Resources conditioned WCR 76 with MgCL dust suppressant in early 2007 and attempted to do it again in November 2007 but their contractor was out of business. They are attempting to contract with Envrio Tech to do future dust control in cooperation with county along their operations routes.

Type: DUST **Date:** 03/18/2008
Complainant: Verna Wilson 7777 CR 309 Rulison CO

Description of Complaint:

Dust coming from traffic on CR 309 in Garfield County

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff contracted Garfield County Road and Bridge Department. GarCo stated too much water on CR 309 could degrade integrity of the road base. Garco is planning on paving the section of CR 309 between CR301 and CR 320 as soon as the weather will allow. COGCC staff will check on dust conditions until road is paved.

Type: DUST **Date:** 03/24/2008
Complainant: Verna Wilson 7777 CR 309 Rulison CO



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Description of Complaint:

Verna Wilson called to express concerns about dust on the county road. I called staff Gary Helgeland and asked him to inspect the site and report conditions

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff inspected the road and found it damp. County has required the operator to keep the road wet four times a day. Staff spoke with complainant and the road was wet at that time. The complainant were still of the opinion that there was too much dust.



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FENCING

Type: FENCING

Date: 03/24/2008

Complainant: Randle Bridge

P.O.Box 1435

Lamar

CO 81052

Description of Complaint:

Fences are in disrepair allowing livestock access.

COGCC Response:

Contacting opeartor to discuss issue.



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GROUND WATER

Type: GROUND WATER

Date: 03/04/2008

Complainant: Frank Zele

1591 S Zang St

Lakewood

CO 80228

Description of Complaint:

Mr. Zele is concerned about possible impacts to groundwater (spring) in section 29, 31S, 65W 6PM from drilling and production at proposed Del Agua Canyon (24-29?) well. APD not filed yet but as surface owner, Mr. Zele, was notified by Pioneer of their intentions to drill this well (originally called Porzikova 24-29). Mr. Zele would like flow from spring to be determined before drilling activities and also requested that quality of water from spring along Canyon del Agua in this section be determined.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff worked with operator and complainant to resolve issues. Conditions of Approval requiring monitoring of flow and quality of ground water from spring will be added to APD before approval.

Type: GROUND WATER

Date: 03/12/2008

Complainant: Bruce Hopke

99 Hawk Ridge Trail

Walsenburg

CO 810899633

Description of Complaint:

Mr. Hopke is concerned about potential contamination of groundwater with volatile organic compounds.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff installed frostproof hydrant near complainant's water well so samples could be collected from well and not out of cistern. Sampled water at the residence for VOC's and dissolved methane. Samples submitted to analytical laboratory in late March. Results are pending.

Type: GROUND WATER

Date: 01/12/2008

Complainant: Ben and Melanie Bounds



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Description of Complaint:

Toluene believed to be present in the groundwater.

COGCC Response:

COGCC Staff and representative from Whetstone Associates sampled water at two different times with results showings low (<1µg/l) concentration of toluene. COGCC staff consulting with complainant about possible sources of toluene.

Type: GROUND WATER

Date: 01/09/2008

Complainant: Dorothy Phelps

21421 Hwy 60

Platteville

CO

80651

Description of Complaint:

Operator recently replaced produced water vault with above-ground tank. Complainant claims soils and shallow ground water potentially impacted. Photographs indicate stained soils and possible sheen on ground water in excavation. Operator has reportedly backfilled excavation.

COGCC Response:

CGRS on behalf of COGCC conducted a limited site investigation. Lab results of representative ground water samples indicated benzene concentrations that significantly exceed the Colorado Basic Standards for Ground Water. A Notice of Alleged Violation (NOAV #1175657) was issued. Corrective action included the submittal of a Form 27 - Site Investigation and Remediation Workplan. Form 27 was submitted and conditionally approved by the COGCC on 03/11/08.

Type: GROUND WATER

Date: 02/05/2008

Complainant: Tracy Dahl

14218 Switchback Road

Weston

CO

81091

Description of Complaint:

Concerned with possible impacts to groundwater from drilling and frac operations at CBM wells near home.



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COGCC Response:

Sampled well for general inorganic water quality parameters. Samples shipped to lab. Awaiting results from lab.

Type: GROUND WATER

Date: 02/05/2008

Complainant: Marcia Dasko

15301 Logging Canyon Rd.

Weston

CO

810919558

Description of Complaint:

Concerned about possible impacts to groundwater and quality of water from water well due to nearby CBM drilling and completion operations.

COGCC Response:

Sampled well for general inorganic water quality parameters. Samples shipped to lab. Waiting on results from lab.



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INACTIVE WELL

Type: INACTIVE WELL

Date: 03/18/2008

Complainant: Sandra Dickens

19587 Weld County Road 50-1/2 Lasalle

CO 80645

Description of Complaint:

Well shut-in since April 2004. Complainant would like to use the location for a hay barn. Noble Energy filed a Notice of Intent to Abandon that was approved 11/16/2007.

COGCC Response:

COGCC issued NOAV 200128241 since well has been shut-in since April 2004. Noble has plans to abandon the well by the end of April. Noble will inform COGCC staff when they begin the job of abandonment.



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LAND USE CONFLICT

Type: LAND USE CONFLICT

Date: 03/24/2008

Complainant: Randle Bridge

P.O.Box 1435

Lamar

CO 81052

Description of Complaint:

Operator has stored equipment in pasture without permission.

COGCC Response:

Contacting opearator to discuss issue.



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NOISE

Type: NOISE

Date: 03/11/2008

Complainant: Elana Lozano

Description of Complaint:

Complainant indicates that noise levels from Compressor associated with this well are continuing to bother her. This is the fifth complaint lodged in reference to this same compressor.

COGCC Response:

COGCC conducted field inspection and talked with the operator. Noise levels coming from Red Cedar Compressor Station south of the residence were high. Field Inspector and Operator discussed the difficulty in getting accurate readings from compressor subject of complaint due to the noise from Red Cedar facility. Operator was told that sometimes a compressor will be taken offline for repair, etc. but that other than that the facility runs as it is 24/7/365. Operator called Field Inspector back to relay this information. Inspector made a field visit and took sound measurements at 12:45 PM. Temperature was approximately 50 degrees, wind speed was < 5 mph. Measurements taken 25' from residence were between 63.8-64.5 dbC.

Type: NOISE

Date: 02/11/2008

Complainant: Aaron Rogers

501 Mud Lane

Ignacio

CO 81137

Description of Complaint:

Complainant advises that noise levels coming from Elm Ridge Resources Amine Plant are bothering him.



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COGCC Response:

Field Inspector worked with Operator to mitigate problem throughout month of February but problems persisted. As of March 7, Operator reported sound levels below 50dba. Operator provided staff with further plans to mitigate noise issues. Further sound measurements will be taken later in the month. Complainant called back later in March with more dates when noise levels were elevated.

Type: NOISE

Date: 01/29/2008

Complainant: ROY LYONS

1911 CR 336

IGNACIO

CO

81137

Description of Complaint:

The noise from the drilling rig has been waking him up at 3 am and he wants the noise stopped or something to be done to lower the levels. The applicable COGCC rules were explained to him as well as the reasons for drilling 24 hours per day. He does have the operator's phone number and does have a working relation with them. He was told that sound levels would be measured and that the operator would be contacted to inform them of the complaint and also to determine an estimate of how much more time it would take to complete the drilling operations. He was assured that the applicable rules would be enforced if out of compliance. The COGCC would report back to him regarding this information.

COGCC Response:

Rig was indeed moved off location on Friday Feb. 1st. SW Field Inspector has never heard back from Complainant after asking him to call back. It is assumed that the complaint can now be closed.

Type: NOISE

Date: 01/02/2008

Complainant: DAVE V

BLACKDUCK AVE

JOHNSTOWN

Description of Complaint:

Noise overnight rattling the windows - suspects drilling rig.



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COGCC Response:

COGCC staff went out and found no current noise - activity east of the complainant but nothing like the noise described. Assumption made that sand masters filled tanks overnight for a frac that next morning.

Type: NOISE

Date: 02/22/2008

Complainant: Jeanne Babin

PO Box 36

Cahone

CO

81320

Description of Complaint:

There were all kinds of operators around my land. I am disabled because of mental trama, strangers with large machinery have put me into major fear and panic attacks.

COGCC Response:

COGCC does not have jurisdiction over civil matters. Refer to local Sheriff's deparment for followup.

Type: NOISE

Date: 02/13/2008

Complainant: Leslie Taylor

PO Box 126

Cahone

CO

81320

Description of Complaint:

Blasting goes on at all times.

COGCC Response:

No blasting has occurred to date. DOW admitted during January 2008 Public Meeting that they had been setting off propane canisters late at night to scare elk away from hay ricks. See document #01733140 for a summary of the meeting.

Type: NOISE

Date: 02/07/2008

Complainant: Anita Schanamen

11848 Billings Avenue

Lafayette

CO

80026

Description of Complaint:

Complainant complained of excessive noise---was calling on behalf of her mother-in-law.



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COGCC Response:

COGCC staff went to wellsite and found out that the operator had been fracing the well. The job was completed at 5:00 P.M. Halliburton began moving trucks and was leaving the location.



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NOTIFICATION

Type: NOTIFICATION

Date: 02/20/2008

Complainant: Juliet Craik

P.O. Box 116

Cahone

CO

81320

Description of Complaint:

Insufficient time to review legal documents prior to access for seismic survey.

COGCC Response:

No COGCC jurisdiction on review time for seismic operations and land access. Referred to Sheriff and/or legal counsel.



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ODOR

Type: ODOR **Date:** 03/14/2008

Complainant: Dion Enlow

Description of Complaint:

Odor coming from the south of the Enlows home. Odor is described as a "Dirty Water" odor.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff contacted Barrett Corp. to monitor pads located near complainant home. Barrett sent out a pumper to check out the pads. COGCC continues to monitor the situation.

Type: ODOR **Date:** 02/08/2008

Complainant: Ms. Bonnie Smeltzer 100 Limberpine Cr Battlement Mesa CO

Description of Complaint:

Report of a petroleum odor in the battlement mesa area @ approx 1430 on 1/10/08.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff made a field visit the week after the initial call to try and determine the cause of the odor. Most likely cause was a stimulation crew. Inspection in the area found no reports of venting on surrounding well pads. COGCC staff contacted complainant and informed them that nothing conclusive could be determined. Staff member did provide some possible scenarios regarding the source of the odor and explained what the COGCC Rules are in regards to trucks.

Type: ODOR **Date:** 01/15/2008

Complainant: Deon Enlow None Given

Description of Complaint:



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Mr. Enlow complained of an odor that he describes as a dirty water type of odor. Mr. Enlow believes that the odor was coming from the north west, and originating at a drilling rig located between his home and Silt, CO.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff contacted operator concerning the odor complaint, they were not aware of any malfunctions. The operator dispatched a pumper to the Wilson pad located south of the complainant's residence. Staff checked on the Wilson pad, Geiske pad, and found nothing out of the ordinary. Staff contacted complainant and asked that they contact staff member when they noticed the odor again so staff could be in the area and try to locate the source of the odor.

Type: ODOR

Date: 01/29/2008

Complainant: Dale Bell

1966 S. US Hwy 550

Durango

CO

81301

Description of Complaint:

Landowner has environmental and safety concerns over gas which they indicate they have been smelling. Landowner feels that gas is associated with the well. Landowner contacted Fritzler 1 1/2 years ago and were told that someone would come out to check on it. No one has contacted the complainants since then and they have seen no one checking the well or ancillary equipment.

COGCC Response:

Complainant was contacted and informed that COGCC field representatives did not detect any methane or H2S gases in the atmosphere at or around the wellhead or around his propane tank during a field inspection.

Type: ODOR

Date: 02/04/2008

Complainant: Dion Enlow

6 lazy K Rd

Silt

CO

Description of Complaint:

Smell of a petroleum odor.



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COGCC Response:

Checked on the stimulation operations on the McLaughlin pad to verify that no flow back operations were being conducted. Inspected wells associated to the pad and no violations were found. No FRAC operations were underway during the time of reported odors.

Type: ODOR

Date: 02/04/2008

Complainant: Kathy Williams

1-970-876-0350

Silt

CO

Description of Complaint:

Smell of a petroleum odor

COGCC Response:

Checked on the Frac operations on the McLaughlin pad on 1/23/08 and 1/24/08. There was no activity during the time frame of the complaint.



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OPERATOR RELATIONSHIP

Type: OPERATOR RELATIONSHIP

Date: 02/20/2008

Complainant: Juliet Craik

P.O. Box 116

Cahone

CO 81320

Description of Complaint:

Evasive and incomplete answers to questions. Intimidation by operator.

COGCC Response:

No COGCC jurisdiction regarding operator relationships. If the complainant continues to feel threatened, contact Sheriff of legal counsel. See document #01733154 for letter.



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ORPHANED EQUIPMENT

Type: ORPHANED EQUIPMENT

Date: 01/29/2008

Complainant: Dale Bell

1966 S. US Hwy 550

Durango

CO

81301

Description of Complaint:

Old wellhead, horizontal separator, unlined pits, and unused fencing on location. Landowner indicates that in seven years they have never seen anyone come out to service the well and feel that the equipment is not in use and should be removed.

COGCC Response:

Operator was contacted by COGCC staff and agreed to remove misc. equipment, close pits, fix wellhead fences and either shut in the well or put it back into production. An NOAV was issued shortly after conversation. Operator was given 60 days to comply with NOAV. Operator is leaning towards PA'ing well.



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OTHER

Type: OTHER **Date:** 02/13/2008
Complainant: Leslie Taylor PO Box 126 Cahone CO 81320

Description of Complaint:
There is no local government designee in Dolores county.

COGCC Response:
Met with Mr. Vernon Legett with the Dolores County Planning Commission. Dolores County has no regulatory means to appoint a LGD and are not currently interested in appointing one. They may explore it should O&G activity increase in the area on a permanent basis. However they are all volunteer and do not have a mechanism to address it at this time.

Type: OTHER **Date:** 02/14/2008
Complainant: Robert Nash 11223 WCR 22.5 Ft Lupton CO

Description of Complaint:
Complainant witnessed vacuum trucks releasing fluids onto Weld County Road 22.50 near his house. Fluids resembled drilling mud. He contacted Weld County and Colorado WQCD. The complaint was forwarded to COGCC because it was thought to be associated with oil & gas operations.

COGCC Response:
COGCC staff visited area to investigate allegations of dumping. The surface owner where the disposal of mud took place confirmed that the material did not originate from oil and gas operations. As a result, the details were forwarded to Charles Johnson 303-692-3348 at CDPHE to follow up on dumping of drilling waste along WCR 22.50 and into the wetland area on Shayne O'Hotto's property.



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PITS

Type: PITS **Date:** 01/29/2008
Complainant: Dale Bell 1966 S. US Hwy 550 Durango CO 81301

Description of Complaint:

Landowner indicates that two unlined pits are on location. One is fenced and the other is partially fenced. Landowner is concerned for the safety of wildlife and family pets. Landowner has installed additional fencing on the pit south of the wellhead.

COGCC Response:

Operator was contacted by COGCC staff and agreed to close the pits. An NOAV was issued shortly after conversation. Operator was given 60 days to comply with NOAV. The closing of the pits needs to be coordinated through the COGCC EPS in the area.

Type: PITS **Date:** 01/28/2008
Complainant: Randy Neil P.O. Box 1207 Ignacio CO 81137

Description of Complaint:

Pit is being reclaimed with water still in it. Water is flowing onto the drill pad; it is flowing under the fence around the pit and livestock can access it. Water is in the low area around the wellhead too - not fenced = livestock can get to it.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff attempted to make a site visit but was unable to reach site due to severe weather conditions and poor roads. Contacted operator about concerns and was told Samson was accelerating closure of pit. After three week delay due to back to back snow storms, site inspection revealed no evidence of COGCC rule violations. Samson provided documentation that pit fluids were removed to Basin disposal.

Type: PITS **Date:** 02/27/2008



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Complainant: Dave Hawkins

Description of Complaint:

Complainant said pit has been left open too long.

COGCC Response:

Operator indicated that there is no pit at that location. They have a permit refiled for the location that was built two years ago and has not been drilled on. Landowner wanted commission to put pressure on operator to buy his property. COGCC staff called complainant and they said they would prefer to handle the issues with operator themselves now.



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PROPERTY DAMAGE

Type: PROPERTY DAMAGE

Date: 03/21/2008

Complainant: Debra Parmenter

2295 Scout Ridge Road

Durango

CO

81301

Description of Complaint:

The landowner reports that the dirt work to construct the new drilling site turned out to be way more than she anticipated and feels that the cut into the side of the hill is just too much and will not accomodate the land reclamation she was expecting.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff sent an email to the operator requesting a response to the complaint and to answer a few questions pertaining to consultation with and noticing to the landowner.



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RECLAMATION

Type: RECLAMATION

Date: 03/20/2008

Complainant: Tom Binder

Description of Complaint:

Surface reclamation around new well sites was delayed by frost in ground. The landowner wanted to plow the ground with frost and plant barley before the operator had opportunity to level and complete their reclamation. Well site personnel were asked to leave the site during casing flowback operations by landowner over a surface contract dispute with operator.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff made site visit and found no violations. Operator had the pits closed within three days of drilling the well. The site has been resotred and planted in barley.

Type: RECLAMATION

Date: 02/19/2008

Complainant: Sue Jarrett

52914 Hwy 385

Holyoke

CO

80734

Description of Complaint:

Pipeline reclamation is not complete.

COGCC Response:

The pipeline is a transmission line from a compressor to the south. This line and all issues with it are not under the jurisdiction of the COGCC and will be forwarded to the appropriate agency. The landowner was informed of the decision by a phone call and was also told of the lack of standing by the COGCC during the field inspection.



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ROADS

Type: ROADS

Date: 02/19/2008

Complainant: Chris Stults

218 Elm Street

Wray

CO 80758

Description of Complaint:

The lease roads are developing holes, and the lease attendant is driving around them instead of staying on the road.

COGCC Response:

COGCC field visit revealed holes were developing in lease roads and the pumpers were driving around them, going into the pasture. Operator was notified that trucks had to stay on the roads and the roads needed to be repaired. A NOAV was issued to the operator. The road is to be repaired and access is to be limited to the roads.

Type: ROADS

Date: 03/24/2008

Complainant: Randle Bridge

P.O.Box 1435

Lamar

CO 81052

Description of Complaint:

Roads have not been maintained, causing personnel to travel into pasture to drive around water/mudholes.

COGCC Response:

Contacting opearator to discuss issue.



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SIGNS

Type: SIGNS

Date: 01/29/2008

Complainant: Dale Bell

1966 S. US Hwy 550

Durango

CO

81301

Description of Complaint:

Landowner indicates that there is no sign at the wellhead.

COGCC Response:

Operator called and left a message that he had issued a work order on Monday (2/04/08) with roustabouts to have sign installed.



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SOIL CONTAMINATION

Type: SOIL CONTAMINATION

Date: 02/04/2008

Complainant: Michael Tolmachoff

Eaton

Co

Description of Complaint:

Used drilling mud contaminated with hydrocarbons was dumped into 3 large earthen pits excavated prior to drilling. Pits are unlined. Fluid has strong hydrocarbon odor. Approximately 175,000 gal (4200 bbls) of fluid originally dumped. The fluids were dumped over the weekend 2/2-2/3/08 and fluid level dropped about 1 foot by 2/4/08. Landowner is concerned about possible ground water impacts and soil contamination. Shallow water wells nearby and location is adjacent to Eaton Ditch. Owner grows alfalfa on his land and is concerned it won't grow if the soils become contaminated. Owner also feels this activity was not mentioned in the contract (land use agreement).

COGCC Response:

During onsite visit by COGCC staff no visible hydrocarbons were observed in or on the mud. Operator decided to haul off the mud to reduce concerns of the landowner. Operator requested their environmental department to collect a sample for TPH test. COGCC called complainant and informed him of operators removal of mud and the test result of mudpit base sample that was collected. Analyses for TPH came back as not detected < 50 mg/kg.

Type: SOIL CONTAMINATION

Date: 03/24/2008

Complainant: Randle Bridge

P.O.Box 1435

Lamar

CO 81052

Description of Complaint:

Soil has been contaminated at site and caused salt kill.



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COGCC Response:

Contacting operator to discuss issue.

Type: SOIL CONTAMINATION

Date: 02/22/2008

Complainant: Anonymous

Dove Creek

CO

Description of Complaint:

Dawn Trucking parks produced water trucks in a lot at 123 Hwy 491 in Dove Creek, CO nightly and leaves the valves open overnight. Several gallons of fluids can drain to the lot from each truck. Sometimes it is clear - often it is dark and oily looking. The ground used to be stained, but the lot was resurfaced (gravel) in late 2007. This has been going on for several years. Dawn does not own the property (an old gas station), it is used for a car racing/mechanic company or something. Concerned that this material is just dumped onto the ground and over time is causing a soil and/or water impact.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff contacted Dawn Trucking. Dawn has written policies and procedures on valving and capping which is addressed at a minimum during annual training. Leaving valves open is not an accepted practice and they stated that this practice does not occur. They will fax a copy of their policy to the COGCC for our records. They are concerned that this is a complaint from a disgruntled ex-employee as several agencies have submitted queries this week, including OSHA. They will check into it and welcome any inspections.



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SPILLS

Type: SPILLS

Date: 03/03/2008

Complainant: Marsha Clark

Sterling

CO

80751

Description of Complaint:

Produced water tank had an upset condition. A spill occurred from the tank, with the fluid running out into some pasture ground.

COGCC Response:

The tank had been upset, spilling over less than 1/2 barrel of oil and some iron sulfide water. The iron sulfide has dried out and was blowing away in the wind, leaving a small oil scum to be cleaned up. The operator cleaned it up by the end of the day. Complainant was contacted by phone and informed of the situation and was happy with the resolution.

Type: SPILLS

Date: 03/10/2008

Complainant: Marcia Skowron

Weston

CO

81091

Description of Complaint:

Marcia Skowron observed silty water in Wet Canyon on a day with little snow melt. She thought silt might be a result of produced water spill or other activities of Pioneer in area upstream the Skowron home.

COGCC Response:

No evidence of recent spills of produced water observed in the area where turbid water was observed in Wet Canyon. Pioneer installed additional sediment control BMP's in an effort to prevent any meltwater caused turbidity just above the confluence of San Pablo Canyon and Wet Canyon. COGCC staff discussed actions taken by operator with complainant. Complainant has not observed any more turbid water in the Canyon as before.



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STORMWATER BMPs

Type: STORMWATER BMPs

Date: 02/28/2008

Complainant: North Fork Ranch Landowner's

15301 Logging Canyon Rd.

Weston

CO

81091

Description of Complaint:

Non-compliance for stormwater permit. Lack of erosion controls or mitigation on disturbed soil on the Left Hand Fork Road of North Fork Ranch. Culvert covered over with mud and mud flowing down hill from road. Left hand Fork Creek below these areas. Three previous complaints on this road for non-compliance for stormwater permit, Aug 17th, 2006, Feb. 28, 2007 and July 10, 2007.

COGCC Response:

Field inspection of Left Hand Fork showed lack of maintenance of numerous BMP's. Sediment was eroding from roadway and entering into Left Hand Fork drainage in several areas because of lack of BMP's and or poor maintenance of existing BMP's. COGCC contacted Pioneer and operator responded that a crew was being dispatched to initiate repairs to existing stormwater controls and also to start process of adding BMP's where necessary.



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SURFACE WATER

Type: SURFACE WATER

Date: 02/22/2008

Complainant: Jeanne Babin

PO Box 36

Cahone

CO 81320

Description of Complaint:

Cahone Creek is partly on my land and a spring which begins the creek is right in this area, the companies are setting explosives too close to the spring and creek as well as my home. This is a water source for Cross Canyon and beyond to the San Juan River. It must be protected and gas exploration should be secondary to our water resources.

COGCC Response:

Operator has stated that they are aware of the springs location and have taken precautions to not drill near it. They have committed to sampling water wells and springs of concern prior to and post seismic testing. Suggested Ms. Babin and/or her neighbor where the spring actually is located contact Operator directly and request spring sampling. Gave operator's phone number to Ms. Babin for her to followup with. No actual potential damage to investigate as survey has not yet been conducted.



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TRASH

Type: TRASH

Date: 03/24/2008

Complainant: Randle Bridge

P.O.Box 1435

Lamar

CO 81052

Description of Complaint:

Trash and junk fitting on various leases in field.

COGCC Response:

Contacting opeartor to discuss issue.



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TRESPASS

Type: TRESPASS

Complainant: Vickie Cooke

P.O. Box 161

Cahone

Date: 02/22/2008

CO 81320

Description of Complaint:



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I am in charge of watching my neighbor's property when they are away. Their names are Tom and Margaret Gardner. They gave me total rights to kick people off their property that weren't supposed to be there. On Jan 16, 2008 I noticed a man on a four-wheeler putting up markers in their field. I rushed out and asked him what he was doing. he told me he was a surveyor and he dialed his boss and let me talk to him. The boss' name was Teddy and his phone number is (435)820-0356. Teddy said that the owner's had given permission to be on the land. I told him they had not. After we finished talking I told the surveyor that he needed to leave. He did not. I went to my house and called Margaret. She told me that they have never given permission to a surveyor (or anyone connected to the Bill Barrett corp.) to be on their property. In fact, they had told the people who called them asking for permission "no, they could not come on their property" Twenty minutes later, my daughter and I walked up to the field and the surveyor came out of the trees on his four-wheeler in a hurry to leave the property. He had put up two more markers and we found where he had tried to "plow" through the trees with his four-wheeler. I went in and called my local sheriffs office. Tim called me back the next day, and I told him of the incident. He said that he would call Tom and Margaret.

A man called me mid-January asking if he could come on the north side of our property to "just lay a cable on the land". I told him "no". He asked if he could set up a meeting to talk about it. I told him yes I have a lot of questions for you, but the answer is still "no". The date was set and when it came around he never showed up. We haven't received another phone call from him. I found out that what they were planning to do (drill 40 foot holes and put dynamite in them). The man who talked to me never mentioned setting off dynamite to be used in seismic testing. All he ever said was that they wanted to lay cable on my land. As a



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land owner I don't take kindly to people deceiving me when it comes to my land.

Please note that in this fax we are sending the letter and documents a lawyer sent us and our reply.

COGCC Response:

Trespass and access issues are not within COGCC jurisdiction. Referred to local Sheriff and legal counsel for follow-up.

Type: TRESPASS

Date: 02/22/2008

Complainant: Margaret and Tom Gardner

11610 North 39th Drive

Phoenix

AZ

85029

Description of Complaint:

BBC has trespassed on our property to lay survey lines and then lied to our neighbor Vickie Cooke that they had permission when they did not.

COGCC Response:

COGCC cannot provide a resolution as trespass is a civil matter and the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Act does not provide a mechanism for the COGCC to address civil matters. Referred the Cooke's to both the local Sheriff and possible legal counsel if they deem it necessary.

Type: TRESPASS

Date: 02/13/2008

Complainant: Leslie Taylor

PO Box 126

Cahone

CO

81320

Description of Complaint:

Leslie Taylor does not believe that the Bill Barrett Seismic Company has right to be on her property or neighbors property.

COGCC Response:

Trespass and access issues are not within COGCC jurisdiction. Referred to local Sheriff and legal counsel for follow-up on civil matters.



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WATER WELL

Type: WATER WELL

Date: 02/13/2008

Complainant: Randy Lamp

22670 WCR 30

Hudson

CO 80642

Description of Complaint:

Complainant alleges impact to domestic water well after a nearby oil & gas well was worked over. Describes well water as yellow with gas odor.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff visited property on 2/22/08 to collect sample from water well. Water appeared yellow, no odor, no effervescing. Collected sample for normal suite of organics, inorganics and bacteria. Lab results received 3/6/08. No benzene, ethylbenzene or toluene detected. Trace concentration of xylenes detected, which is below the Colorado Basic Standards for Ground Water for xylenes. High Total Dissolved Solids was detected which is likely from coal zones within aquifer.

Type: WATER WELL

Date: 01/02/2008

Complainant: Mike Dixon

20106 CR 38.4

Weston

CO 81091

Description of Complaint:

Well estimated to be 20 years old and water from well has developed odors and bad taste recently.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff visited site and samples were collected for general inorganic water quality parameters as well as dissolved methane and BART analyses. Waiting on lab results.

Type: WATER WELL

Date: 01/16/2008

Complainant: David & Ann Karns

36207 WCR 65

Galster

CO 80622



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Description of Complaint:

Complainant alleges impact to domestic water well from nearby oil & gas well.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff visited site and collected samples from water well for laboratory analyses. Based on laboratory results there is no evidence that the water well was impacted as a result of nearby oil/gas operations. Letter sent to complainant with lab results showing no impact from nearby oil/gas operations.

Type: WATER WELL**Date:** 03/25/2008**Complainant:** Tim Baker

17910 CR 46

Aguilar

CO

810209714

Description of Complaint:

Water from domestic well has developed a brown color and also water now has suspended particles that clog filters or nozzles. Mr. Baker is concerned that that water from his well has been impacted by nearby CBM drilling and production activities.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff sampled water from complainant's water well. Analysis for general inorganic water quality parameters, dissolved methane and BART kits. Results of lab samples pending.

Type: WATER WELL**Date:** 03/28/2008**Complainant:** Rick Hanson

157 South Ridge Court

Battlement Mesa

CO

81635

Description of Complaint:

Request from land owner to sample water.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff contacted land owner and collected split samples. Results pending.

Type: WATER WELL**Date:** 02/14/2008**Complainant:** Carolyn Meehan

1781 E 141th Ave

Brighton

CO

80602



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Description of Complaint:

Ms. Meehan has been experiencing a black colored sediment build-up in her water well filter. Wellington Operating has recently drilled three new wells near her property and she was wondering if there might be a connection.

COGCC Response:

COGCC staff collected water samples from water well and collected a sample of the black sediment material from the water filter. Water sampling results show no unusual water quality parameters and water quality is typical of water wells in the area. Further investigation of the black sediment show that the material is an organic material related to sulfate reducing bacteria that is present in complainant's well and/or house water system.

Type: WATER WELL

Date: 02/29/2008

Complainant: Fran Freemyer

32475 WCR 61.5

Gill

CO

80624

Description of Complaint:

Mr. Freemyer made a previous complaint in December 2006, that his domestic water well had been impacted by a nearby oil & gas well. COGCC sampled the well on 12/15/06. Analytical results did not indicate that the well had been impacted. Mr. Freemyer made another complaint indicating that he believes the well is impacted and he didn't think the 12/06 sample was collected from the correct location on his property.



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COGCC Response:

COGCC staff visited the residence to collect another groundwater sample. Water at an inside faucet was checked with CGI due to strong sulfur odor. No combustible gas or hydrogen sulfide was detected. During well purging it was noted that water became more entrained with bubbles and flow rate decreased substantially. Water pressure in house was minimal when exterior faucet was running. Mr. Freemyer indicated that the well had never made much water, and it would run dry if the exterior faucet continued to run. As purging continued the water went from clear to slightly off-color yellow with some silica sand in the purge bucket. Water was sampled for normal suite of organic and inorganic constituents as well as bacteria and gas composition. Lab results for water samples received 3/11/08. No BTEX detected. Total Dissolved Solids at 652 mg/l. Lab results for gas sample pending.

Type: WATER WELL

Date: 02/27/2008

Complainant: Michael & Desri Murray

7636 WCR 10

Ft. Lupton

CO

80621

Description of Complaint:

Complainant alleges there is an oil film on water that they believe may come from nearby oil & gas wells.

Location of domestic well is: NWNE 17, T1N, R67W.

COGCC Response:

Site visit to Murray residence to collect groundwater sample. Water exhibited a sulfur odor and there was moderate effervescing. Collected sample for normal suite of organic/inorganic constituents, bacteria and gas comp. Lab results received 3/5/08. No BTEX detected. Gas sample indicated a small volume of biogenic methane gas. No evidence that water well impacted by nearby oil and gas operations. Letter summarizing all lab results pending.



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WILDLIFE

Type: WILDLIFE

Date: 02/13/2008

Complainant: Leslie Taylor

PO Box 126

Cahone

CO 81320

Description of Complaint:

Noise is killing deer and elk by running them off winter grounds.

COGCC Response:

No blasting has occurred to date. DOW has temporary "Beware of elk crossing" signs posted along HWY 491 since the heavy snowcover has pushed them down into area farms. DOW has been trying to keep them from hay ricks. Mortality is high along the highway. Drill rigs being used are small and move quickly - tractor pulling it is smaller than standard farm tractors used in the area. No drilling or tractor use at night. DOW is using propane canons to scare away the elk.