

BEFORE THE
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL
STATE OF WYOMING

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Terri A. Lorenzon, Director
Environmental Quality Council

IN THE MATTER OF THE NOTICE OF)
VIOLATION AND ORDER ISSUED TO:)

Great Northern Drilling Company)
PO Box 1953)
Billings, MT 59103-1953)
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DOCKET NUMBER 4216-08

NOTICE OF VIOLATION AND ORDER

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:

1. Great Northern Drilling Company (Great Northern) is the owner of an oil and gas production facility in Wyoming which is permitted to discharge through the Wyoming Pollution Discharge Elimination System permit WY0024775.
2. Part I of the above referenced permit, under the Monitoring and Reporting section, requires effluent monitoring results to be summarized and reported on a Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) form. The WQD sent a Letter of Violation (LOV) to Great Northern on December 8th, 2007 instructing them to send in all delinquent DMRs to the WQD. The WQD did not receive a response to the LOV and did not receive any delinquent DMRs.
3. This Notice is being sent to you pursuant to W.S. 35-11-701(c)(i), which requires that in any case of the failure to correct or remedy an alleged violation, the director of the Department of Environmental Quality shall cause a written notice to be issued and served upon the person alleged to be responsible;

ORDER

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WHEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. Great Northern shall immediately submit complete and accurate delinquent DMRs to the WQD. This information shall be received by the WQD no later than 60 days after the receipt of the NOV by Great Northern.
2. Great Northern shall submit to the WQD a plan of action to ensure all DMRs are filled out correctly and submitted in at timely manner in the future.

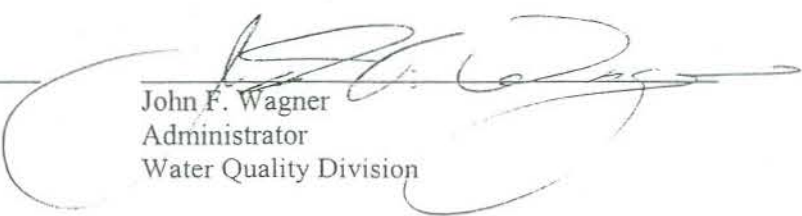
This ORDER is final unless, no later than ten (10) days after the date this notice is received; it is appealed by filing a written request for a hearing before the Environmental Quality Council. If a hearing is requested, the hearing petition shall be mailed to the Chairman, Wyoming Environmental Quality Council, Room 1714 Herschler Building, 1st Floor West, 122 West 25th St., Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. The second petition shall be mailed to the Director, Wyoming Department of the Environmental Quality, Herschler Building, 4th Floor West, 122 West 25th St., Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Both petitions must be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested.

NOTHING IN THIS NOTICE OF VIOLATION (NOV) AND ORDER shall be interpreted to in any way limit or contravene any other remedy available under the Environmental Quality Act, nor shall this NOV AND ORDER be interpreted as being a condition precedent to any other enforcement action.

Ordered this 12 day of MARCH, 2008.



John V. Corra
Director
Department of Environmental Quality



John F. Wagner
Administrator
Water Quality Division

PLEASE DIRECT ALL INQUIRIES TO: Kevin M. Wells, WYPDES Compliance & Enforcement Program Coordinator, Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Water Quality Division, Herschler Building, 4th Floor West, 122 West 25th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Telephone 307-777-8669.

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