

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL
STATE OF WYOMING**

**In the Matter of the Bond Forfeiture)
Proceedings Against the Bond of) Docket No. 22-4501
In Re RDG Oil & Gas, LLC)
LMO ET1337)**

AFFIDAVIT OF KYLE WENDTLAND

I, Kyle Wendtland, being of lawful age and first duly sworn upon oath, depose and state as follows:

1. I am currently employed by the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality as the Administrator of the Land Quality Division.

2. I am over eighteen years of age, have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein, and am capable to testify thereto.

3. On January 12, 2006, the Department issued Limited Mining Operation (LMO) number ET1337 to RDG Oil & Gas, LLC. The LMO is located in Section 21, Township 41 North, Range 81 W, approximately fifteen miles south southeast of Kaycee, Wyoming. RDG disturbed approximately 2.75 acres through its mining activity at ET1337.

4. Pursuant to Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 35-11-401(e)(vi)(B), RDG posted a bond for the reclamation of surface disturbance at ET1337 after mining operations ceased. Specifically, RDG posted a ten thousand dollar (\$10,000.00) Certificate of Deposit, Bond No. 585352, issued by Washington Trust Bank.

5. On March 11, 2014, the Wyoming Secretary of State administratively dissolved RDG for delinquent taxes. As a result, RDG is no longer registered to do business in the State of Wyoming.

6. RDG has not engaged in mining at ET1337 since 2012. RDG submitted its last Annual Report for ET1337 in March 2014.

7. RDG has not reclaimed any portion of the surface disturbance at ET1337.

8. On January 7, 2022, the Department issued RDG a Notice of Violation for administrative issues and failure to commence reclamation at ET1337 (Docket No. 6127-21).


9. Based on the facts set forth above, the Department determined that RDG's reclamation performance bond should be forfeited.

10. On March 9, 2022, in accordance with Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 35-11-421(a), Director Todd Parfitt filed a Bond Forfeiture Recommendation with the Council requesting approval to have the Attorney General's Office begin bond forfeiture proceedings against RDG.

11. On June 14, 2022, the Council approved the Department's request to initiate bond forfeiture proceedings against RDG.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

DATED this 11th day of August, 2022.

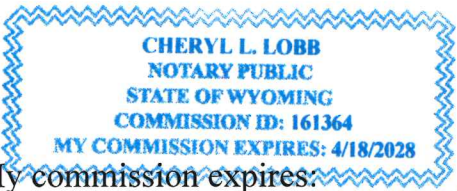



Kyle Wendtland

STATE OF WYOMING)
) ss.
COUNTY OF LARAMIE)

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Kyle Wendtland this 11th day of August, 2022.

Witness my hand and official seal.





Notary Public

My commission expires: Apr. 18, 2028