

**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)**

BOND FORFEITURE ORDER

This matter comes before the Wyoming Environmental Quality Council on the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Land Quality Division's Motion for forfeiture of RDG Oil and Gas, LLC's reclamation performance bond for Limited Mining Operation No. ET1337. The Council, having reviewed the motion and being otherwise fully informed, makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

1. RDG Oil and Gas posted a ten thousand dollar (\$10,000.00) reclamation bond for ET1337, in the form of a \$10,000.00 Certificate of Deposit issued by Washington Trust Bank (Certificate of Deposit No. 585352).
2. Under ET1337, RDG Oil and Gas disturbed approximately 2.75 acres at a limited mining operation located in Section 21, Township 41 North, Range 81 West in Johnson County, Wyoming.
3. RDG Oil and Gas has not engaged in mining at ET1337 since 2012. RDG Oil and Gas submitted its last Annual Report for ET1337 in 2014.
4. RDG Oil and Gas has not reclaimed any portion of the surface disturbance at ET1337.

5. On March 11, 2014, the Wyoming Secretary of State administratively dissolved RDG Oil and Gas for delinquent taxes.

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

7. The Council approved the Department's request to initiate bond forfeiture proceedings against RDG Oil and Gas on June 14, 2022.

8. On June 21, 2022, the Attorney General's Office sent notice of the forfeiture proceedings to RDG Oil and Gas, and Washington Trust Bank by certified mail. The notice stated that the Council would enter an order forfeiting RDG Oil and Gas' bond unless RDG Oil and Gas requested a hearing within thirty days. RDG Oil and Gas' notice was returned as undeliverable. Washington Trust Bank received the notice by certified mail.

9. RDG Oil and Gas has no requested a hearing before the Council.

10. The Department has satisfied all requirements for bond forfeiture pursuant to Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 35-11-421.

Therefore, the Council hereby orders that Reclamation Bond No. 585352 in the amount of \$10,000.00 is forfeited to the Department for use by the Department to reclaim all lands affected by RDG Oil and Gas, LLC at Limited Mining Operation No. ET1337.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2022.

John Corra, Chairman
Environmental Quality Council