

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III

## 841 Chestnut Building Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107

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Mr. William D. Barry Barry Resources, Inc. Hillcrest Avenue, R.D. 1 Olean, New York 14760

RE: PAS2R943APOT

Dear Mr. Barry:

Your June 15, 1985 submittal for 9 Rule Authorized Class IIR injection wells located in Potter County, Pennsylvania has been reviewed for completeness by the Region III Underground Injection Control (UIC) program staff. The above referenced identification number has been assigned to your facility and should be noted in all further communications. I am transmitting a notice which details the results of our review (deficient and/or approved documentation). I urge you to correct the deficiencies cited as soon as possible but not later then September 30, 1985. You will be considered to be in a noncompliance status until such time as the required information is received and deemed complete by this office.

Please do not hesitate to contact either Gary Naumick at (215) 597-2537 or Mary Anne Daly at (215) 597-8992 if you should have any questions on these issues.

Sincerely,

Jon M. Capacasa, Chief PA Implementation Section

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Inventory 40 CFR 144.26(d)

Our records have been updated to reflect the current status of your wells. Since it is important to maintain an accurate inventory to manage the compliance activities of the UIC program, you are requested to notify this office when changes occur. Conversion of a production well to an injection well is considered a new well, and a permit is required.

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Plugging and Abandonment Plan 40CFR 144.28(c)

Submittal approved. You are reminded that EPA must be notified of the proposed abandonment of a well at least 45 days prior to the event and any revisions to the approved plan must be provided with the notification.

Fracture Pressure Data 40CFR 144.22(b) and 147.1954.

In a Federal Register issued 8/26/85 (Vol. 50, No. 165), the Regional Administrator of the UIC program in Region III proposed fracture gradients and a maximum injection pressure formula for rule authorized fields in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. A copy of this proposal was forwarded to you under separate cover to provide an opportunity for comment. A public hearing to discuss this proposal has been tentatively scheduled for September 26, 1985 at the University of Pittsburgh. For further information contact S. Stephen Platt at (215) 597-2783.

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Financial Responsibility Assurance 40CFR 144.28(d) None received to date. Each owner or operator of a Class II well is required to maintain the financial resources to close, plug, and abandon the well(s) and submit evidence, acceptable to EPA, of such financial responsibility. This requirement was explained in detail in our 5/10/85 letter to all owners/operators of oil and gas related injection facilities. EPA has not specified any one mechanism as the sole appropriate instrument for a financial responsibility demonstration. Sample formats and language on the available options are enclosed to assist you in preparing your submittal.

Monitoring, Reporting and Record Retention 40CFR 144.28(b), (g)-(i) Since your wells are not presently active, the regulatory requirements under this category are not applicable. Wells may maintain a temporarily abandoned status for a two year period at which time the wells must be plugged unless you take action to ensure that underground sources of drinking water will not be endangered during the period of temporary abandonment. You are requested to notify EPA if you resume operations prior to August 1987.

Operators Compliance Manual The enclosed guidance manual was written to assist Class II owners and operators in achieving and maintaining compliance with the program requirements. Please take a few minutes to read this material and become familiar with your responsibilities under the UIC regulations.

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