



## NOTICE TO OPERATORS

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April 14, 2025

### NOTICE OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS REQUIRED BY PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 3202, subdivision (c)

The California Department of Conservation's Geologic Energy Management Division (CalGEM) is issuing this Notice to alert operators to the reporting requirement set forth in Public Resources Code (PRC) section 3202, subdivision (c).

#### **Periodic Verification of Right to Operate (PRC, § 3202, subd. (c))**

The third round of reporting required under PRC section 3202, subdivision (c) is due July 1, 2025. **Before July 1, 2025, any person that has a right to operate a well or production facility must notify CalGEM whether or not any of its rights to its well or production facility differs from what is in CalGEM's records.** For instructions on how to check the operator record in WellSTAR, operators may request the WellSTAR reference guide available at:

[https://filerequest.conservation.ca.gov/?q=Reference\\_Guide\\_for\\_Accessing\\_Public\\_Records\\_via\\_CalGEMs\\_Online\\_Data\\_Platforms](https://filerequest.conservation.ca.gov/?q=Reference_Guide_for_Accessing_Public_Records_via_CalGEMs_Online_Data_Platforms)

You can report to CalGEM by doing the following:

1. Addressing an email to [CalGEMEntRiskUnit@conservation.ca.gov](mailto:CalGEMEntRiskUnit@conservation.ca.gov) with the subject line "Verification of Right to Operate (Operator Code)"; and
2. In the body of the email, state the person or entity that currently has the right to operate the wells and/or productions facilities, even if no changes have occurred since the last reporting period.

Alternatively, you can provide the information in writing to:

Department of Conservation  
CalGEM, Attn: ERU  
715 P Street, MS 18-03  
Sacramento, California 95814-6408

The reporting requirement outlined in this Notice is mandated by law. For CalGEM to effectively supervise oil and gas production operations, it is critical to have accurate knowledge of all the current interest-holders. CalGEM requests that any previously unreported well and production facility transfers, and inaccurate ownership rights be corrected.

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Failure to respond may result in further enforcement action, including, but not limited to, the issuance of a notice of violation, a civil penalty order or an order to plug and abandon a well or decommission a production facility. (PRC, §§ 3236.5; 3237.)

If you have any questions or concerns related to the contents of this Notice, please feel free to contact CalGEM's Enterprise Risk Unit, via electronic mail, at [CalGEMEntRiskUnit@conservation.ca.gov](mailto:CalGEMEntRiskUnit@conservation.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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