NOTICE TO OPERATORS

NTO 2022-03

June 15, 2022

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT OIL AND GAS PRODUCED FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021

The California Geologic Energy Management Division (CalGEM) is issuing this notice to inform operators that the annual notice of assessment of oil and gas has been mailed to your agent on file and posted to your WellSTAR account. When the notice of assessment was entered into WellSTAR, the agent of record received the following email notification.

"You have received a new correspondence in WellSTAR"

To view your annual notice of assessment please Log-in to WellSTAR and navigate to your organization detail > Summary > Documents. The notice of annual assessment can be found within the document tab.

Operators are encouraged to utilize CalGEM's Electronic Fund Transfer site to submit their annual oil and gas payment. Online payment can be submitted to CalGEM, via electronic funds transfer, at the website below, which is managed by MUFG Union Bank's partner, First Data:

https://www.govone.com/PAYCAL/Home/SelectAgency

Operators may also submit their annual oil and gas assessment payments by sending it to the following address:

Department of Conservation Geologic Energy Management Division Attn: 2021 Assessment 715 P Street, MS 18-03 Sacramento, CA 95814

The assessment on oil and gas produced in California is provided for in Division 3 of the Public Resource Code. Assessments of more than ten dollars but less than five hundred dollars must be paid on or before Monday, August 15, 2022, or will be late. For assessments of five hundred dollars or more, the first half of the assessed amount shown must be paid on or before Monday, August 15, 2022; the second half of the assessed amount shown must be paid on or before Wednesday, February 1, 2023. A penalty of 10 percent will be applied to late payments, plus interest at 1.5 percent per month.

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If you have any question, please contact CalGEM Support Unit at CalGEMSupport@conservation.ca.gov.

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State Oil and Gas Supervisor

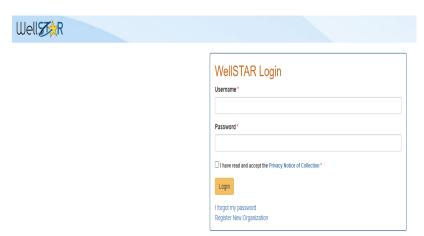
Attachment(s):

- 1. Instructions for Accessing Notice of Assessment within WellSTAR
- 2. Electronic Fund Transfer Informational User Guide

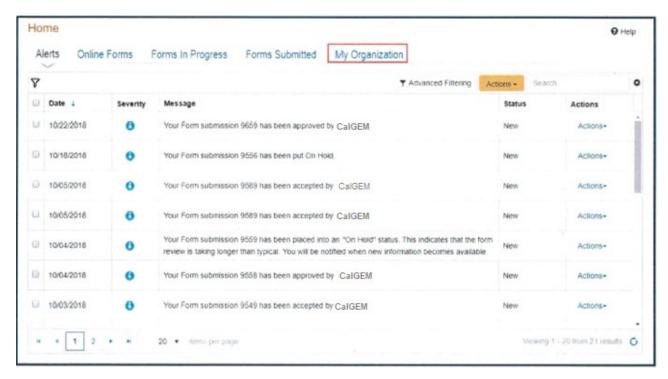
Attachment 1: Instruction to view Notice of Assessment in WellSTAR

Navigating to Notice of Assessment

1. Log into WellSTAR: https://wellstar.conservation.ca.gov/



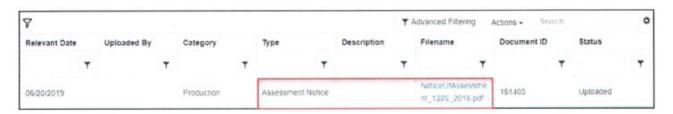
2. From Landing page, select "My Organization"



3. From Operator's Organization Detail page in the upper right-hand corner click Summary > click Documents



4. Within Documents locate Filename for "Notice of Assessment"



5. Click on Notice of Assessment file name to open the PDF

Gavin Newsom, Governor David Shabazian, Director

ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER INFORMATIONAL USER GUIDE OCTOBER 2021

This informational user guide is intended to assist oil, gas, and geothermal operators with navigating the Department of Conservation, California Geologic Energy Management Division's ("CalGEM") newly established electronic fund transfer system, which is managed by MUFG Union Bank, N.A. Operators may now submit certain payments to CalGEM via electronic fund transfer.

The following payments may be made online by any oil, gas, and geothermal operator:

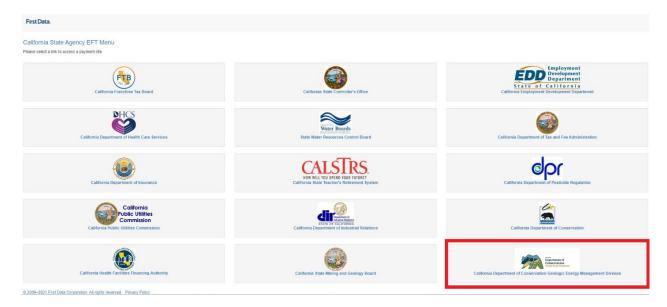
- Annual oil and gas assessments;
- Idle well fees;
- Annual geothermal assessments;
- Underground gas storage assessments; and
- Civil penalties.

<u>Please see the details below on how payments may be submitted to CalGEM via electronic fund transfer.</u>

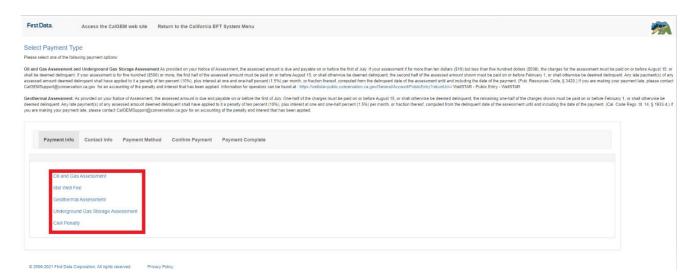
Step Action

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- To make a payment, enter the following URL in your web browser: https://www.govone.com/PAYCAL/Home/SelectAgency.
 - Select "Department of Conservation, Geologic Energy Management Division" in the bottom right corner.



- 2 **Select** your desired payment type under the "Payment Info" tab from the options listed below:
 - "Oil and Gas Assessment;"
 - "Idle Well Fee;"
 - "Geothermal Assessment;"
 - "Underground Gas Storage Assessment;" or
 - "Civil Penalty."



Step Action

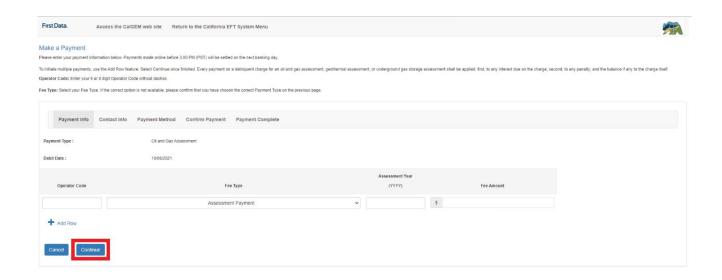
3 If making a payment for an Oil and Gas Assessment

Complete all open fields, including "Operator Code," "Fee Type," "Assessment Year," and "Fee Amount."

- "Operator Code" requires a five-character CalGEM operator code.
- "Fee Type" requires that "Assessment Payment" from drop down menu be selected.
- "Assessment Year" requires that the year be input (four-character year format).
- "Fee Amount" requires that the amount of the "Assessment Payment" be input (the value must be greater than \$1.00).

Tip: You are able to make multiple payments for different operators at the same time by clicking "Add Row."

Select "Continue" once all fields have been input.

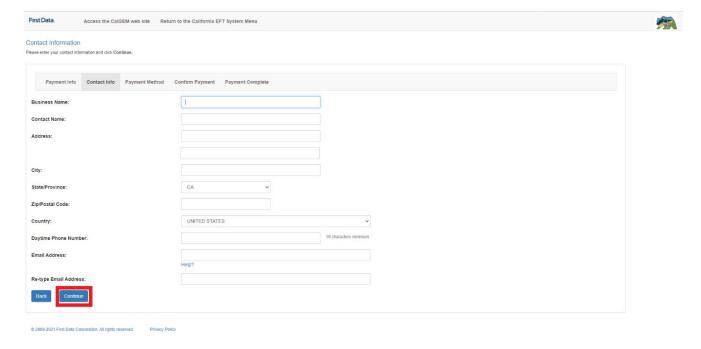


4 Contact Information

Complete all open fields under the "Contact Info" tab, which is located immediately to the right of the "Payment Info" tab. All fields must be completed to move forward.

 Please ensure a valid daytime phone number and email address are input, as these will be used to contact you, if any problem occurs.

Select "Continue" once all fields have been input.

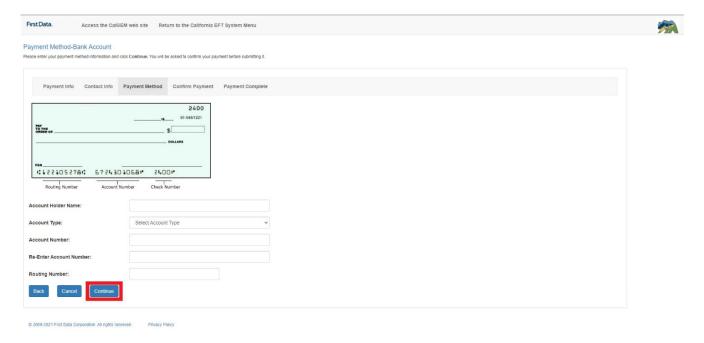


5 **Payment Method**

Complete all open fields under the "Payment Method" tab, which is located immediately to the right of the "Contact Info" tab. All fields must be completed to move forward.

- Only payments from a checking or savings account are accepted.
- At any time, a transaction can be cancelled by selecting "Cancel" on the bottom of the screen.

Select "Continue" once all fields have been input.



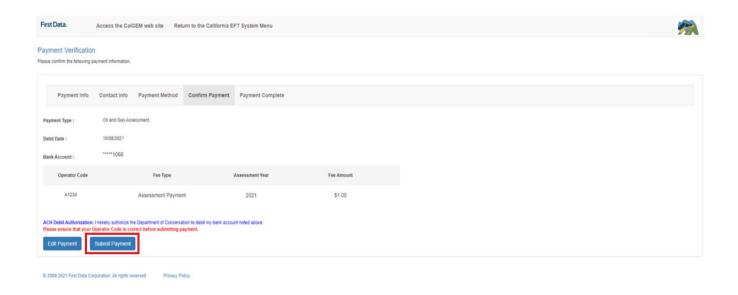
Step Action

6 <u>Confirm Payment</u>

Review payment information on the screen. Ensure that all values have been entered correctly and reflect accurate payment information.

 If revisions are required, edits can be made by selecting the "Edit Payment" button.

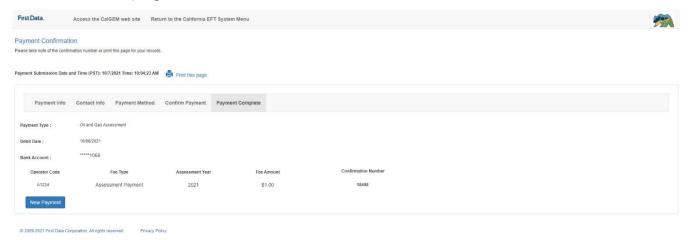
Select "Submit Payment," once you have verified the accuracy of all values.



7 Payment Complete

Review the payment information under the "Payment Complete" tab, which is the last tab on the screen.

- The payment submission date will be used by CalGEM as the transaction date within WellSTAR to record the payment.
- Options to print this screen as receipt is available by clicking "Print this page."



If you have questions or need additional information, please contact CalGEM's Program Support Unit via email at: <u>CalGEMSupport@conservation.ca.gov</u>.