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Patara Oil and Gas - Wray Mesa transfer - We Need Help Please

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Wed, Nov 17, 2021 at 10:34 AM

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Hello Ms. Murphy,

I have been working with the COGCC staff, Patara Oil and Gas (my client), and Paradox Resources in the hopes of releasing Patara's bond. I am at a dead end and could use some help. Here is a brief summary of what we have completed over the past 2 years:

- Patara has reclaimed 6 sites and passed all inspections
- Patara and Paradox have worked together to clear up any remaining database issues that didn't transfer with the bulk sale of properties from Patara to Paradox.
- We have waited for 6 months for an answer from COGCC regarding the release of the bond after being told that we had successfully remediated each impacted property or had successfully transferred each property to Paradox.

Today we received communication from Ms. Lutz stating that we still have a technical issue regarding one property. I was told to contact the appropriate COGCC employee to resolve this matter. Unfortunately I don't have anyone else to contact. Mr. Hughes and Ms. Roy have been responsive and very helpful during this process, but they are unable to solve our problem.

I've attached the relevant email chains for your information.

Can you point me in the right direction? Patara and Paradox have done everything by the books. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Luke Matzke

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On Wed, Jul 21, 2021 at 12:49 PM Hughes - DNR, Jim <jimo.hughes@state.co.us> wrote:

All,

Paradox is now the operator of record for REM #5731.

Thanks,

Jim Hughes

Environmental Protection Specialist



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On Wed, Jul 21, 2021 at 11:49 AM Luke Matzke <lmatzke@andersenv.com> wrote:

Jim,

Thanks for the help.

Debbie,

Does this satisfy all of the conditions to release Patara's bond?

Thanks for the help everyone,

Luke Matzke
Anders Environmental
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Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 21, 2021, at 11:12 AM, Hughes - DNR, Jim <jimo.hughes@state.co.us> wrote:

Luke,

I have approved Supplemental Form 27 Document #402754199 with Conditions of Approval.

Submission of this Form by Paradox Upstream indicates their desire to assume responsibility for REM #5731 from Patara Oil and Gas.

I have cc'ed the area Reclamation Specialist as well as Teri and Debi.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Jim Hughes

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On Tue, Jul 20, 2021 at 3:44 PM Luke Matzke <lmatzke@andersenv.com> wrote:

Hi Jim,

Jake just submitted the new form, please let me know if we successfully switched this property to Paradox.

Thanks,
Luke

On Tue, Jul 20, 2021 at 3:05 PM Jake Roberts <jaker@paradoxresources.com> wrote:

Hey guys,

I just re-tried it and this time the system accepted it as a valid project #.

I'll get this filled out and submitted. If any other issue pop up I'll let you guys know.

Regards,

Jake

From: Luke Matzke <lmatzke@andersenv.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 3:59 PM

To: Hughes - DNR, Jim <jjimo.hughes@state.co.us>; Jake Roberts <jaker@paradoxresources.com>

Subject: Wray Mesa transfer - Remediation project number

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Hi Jim,

We're having issues with the system recognizing #5731 as a valid remediation project number (I'm using the number from your last inspection).

Could you verify that's the correct number?

Thanks for the help,

Luke

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Ikenouye - DNR, Teri <teri.ikenouye@state.co.us>

Wed, Nov 17, 2021 at 11:20 AM

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Luke-

A Form 9 will need to be submitted in order to change the ownership of the location and the responsibility of the reclamation project. I will contact you directly under a separate email to help you in this process in order to close out this last obligation for the bond release.

Thank you,

Teri Ikenouye

Information Processing Supervisor

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Luke Matzke <lmatzke@andersenv.com>

Wed, Nov 17, 2021 at 12:29 PM

To: "Ikenouye - DNR, Teri" <teri.ikenouye@state.co.us>

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Teri,

Thanks for the quick response. We have emailed about this issue before, a Form 9 was filed during the property transfer when Paradox bought the properties from Patara. I don't believe the system will accept two of the same forms for the APN listed. The issue lies with the system not accepting the Form 9 for the "location" only with the "well". We need to expedite this process since its been months of back and forth. Filing another form and waiting 6 months for the Financial Assurance team to review isn't reasonable.

Can you look into the historical documents and see if the original Form 9 covers both the "well" and "location"?

If we need to set up a call to get all of the details hammered out I can facilitate that.

Thanks,

Luke

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Luke Matzke <lmatzke@andersenv.com>

Thu, Mar 24, 2022 at 9:12 PM

To: Julie Murphy - DNR <julie.murphy@state.co.us>

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Hello Again Ms. Murphy,

We are still stuck in COGCC IT limbo and cannot get out of it. We have been working on this issue for over a year. Multiple people have attempted to help. Teri Ikenouye was the latest to try but I believe she has been taken off the project. Teri indicated it was purely an IT issue that she was close to solving, that was on 3/15/22.

Do you have anyone at COGCC that can help us? I'm happy to work directly with the IT person that Teri was previously working with on this issue, just point me in the right direction.

Patiently Waiting,
Luke Matzke and the Patara team

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Tue, Apr 12, 2022 at 9:03 PM

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Hello Everyone,

Can anyone help us close out our Colorado project? The sites have been remediated, we've transferred all of the properties, a technical glitch is the only thing preventing us from getting our deposit back and allowing paradox upstream to move forward with the properties.

This is year two that we are politely asking for help. Our are next steps would have to be legal action which is completely unnecessary if someone would just transfer the property from Patara to Paradox and return our cash deposit.

Please advise,

Luke Matzke
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On Mar 24, 2022, at 9:12 PM, Luke Matzke <lmatzke@andersenv.com> wrote:

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Deranleau - DNR, Greg <greg.deranleau@state.co.us>

Wed, Apr 13, 2022 at 5:05 PM

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Mr. Matzke,

Thank you for your inquiry. I have discussed this situation internally with Jarrett Ellis, COGCC Finance Manager (now copied into the distribution list), and we have an administrative solution.

Form 10 doc # 400627560 was submitted June 17, 2014 and approved June 25, 2014 (effective date November 1, 2012). This form transferred well API #085-06049. The Oil and Gas Location (Number 313643) was not included as a line item on the form and did not transfer. A Remediation Project (REM #5731) to close the drilling pit in accordance with applicable rules at the time of pit closure was transferred through the submittal of a Supplemental Form 27 (document #402754199). The Form 27 included the same background information that was submitted on the Initial Form 27 (document #2213764). Both Form 27s included a Condition of Approval related to reclamation of the site, which according to COGCC rules, is not complete as of the last inspection on May 10, 2021 (Field Inspection Report document #688800009).

Form 10 doc #2210642 was submitted December 8, 2015 and approved December 18, 2015. This form transferred well API #113-06173. The Oil and Gas Location (Number 399752) was not included as a line item on the form and did not transfer. This well is currently listed as Temporarily Abandoned, and the Location as Active.

Due to this administrative issue, created years ago, COGCC can update the records for these 2 locations and complete the transfer from Patara Oil and Gas LLC (operator #10332) to Paradox Upstream LLC (operator #10453).

In order to do so, I need a reply in the affirmative from representatives of both companies that you agree to retroactively include Location #313643 and Location #399752 in the previously executed transfers documented in the above referenced Form 10s. For the purposes of this action, a representative must be listed on a Form 1 or 1A for the company.

Upon receipt of those responses, COGCC will update the records appropriately with this communication included in the files.

Thank you for working with us.

Greg

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Greg Deranleau
Environmental Manager
(he/him/his)



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Greg,
Paradox Upstream, LLC approves this action. I am listed as an authorized representative for the company on Forms 1 and 1A.
Thank you for this resolution,

Scott Nowak

From: Deranleau - DNR, Greg <greg.deranleau@state.co.us>

Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2022 6:05:18 PM

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Greg,
Thanks for the solution Mark Grawe will be responding as soon as he is off the road.

He would like to confirm the address you have for Patara since it's been so many years. I'm guessing that this form will be sent to Deborah Lutz for deposit return?

Thanks for the help,
Luke

Luke Matzke
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On Apr 13, 2022, at 5:05 PM, Deranleau - DNR, Greg <greg.deranleau@state.co.us> wrote:

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Mark Grawe <MGrawe@eagleridgeenergy.com>

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Affirmed.

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We approve as well.

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Thank you all; we will transfer these two locations administratively.

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Finance Manager



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Jarrett,

Thanks for the update. Can you fill us in on the next steps?

Last time I was in touch with Ms. Lutz she informed us that it can take months to release the deposit, I'm not sure if there is still a backlog but we need to expedite that process if possible.

Please let us know,

Luke

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