Environmental Protection Agency § 147.3104

Subpart III—Lands of Certain Oklahoma Indian Tribes

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§ 147.3100 EPA-administered program.

(a) Contents. The UIC program for the Indian lands in Oklahoma, except for that covering the Class II wells of the Five Civilized Tribes, is administered by EPA. The UIC program for all wells on Indian lands in Oklahoma, except Class II wells on the Osage Mineral Reserve (found at 40 CFR part 147, Subpart GGG) and the Class II program for the Five Civilized Tribes, consists of the UIC program requirements of 40 CFR parts 124, 144, 146, 148, and additional requirements set forth in the remainder of this subpart. Injection well owners and operators, and EPA shall comply with these requirements.

(b) Effective date. The effective date for the UIC program for all wells on Indian lands except Class II wells on the Osage Mineral Reserve and Class II wells on the lands of the Five Civilized Tribes is November 25, 1988.

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§ 147.3101 Public notice of permit actions.

(a) In addition to the notice requirements of §124.10 of this chapter, the Director shall provide to the affected Tribal government all notices given to an affected State government under §124.10(c) of this chapter.

(b) Class I and III wells. In addition to the notice requirements of §124.10 of this chapter:

(1) Owners and operators of Class I and III wells shall notify the affected Tribal government prior to submitting an application for a permit, shall publish such notice in at least two newspapers of general circulation in the area of the proposed well, and shall broadcast notice over at least one local radio station.

(2) The Director shall publish a notice of availability of a draft permit in at least two newspapers of general circulation in the area of the proposed well, and broadcast notice over at least one local radio station. The public notice shall allow at least 45 days for public comment.

(c) Class II wells. In addition to the notice requirements of §124.10 of this chapter:

(1) Owners and operators of Class II wells shall give notice of application for a permit to the affected Tribal government prior to submitting the application to the Director.

(2) In addition to the public notice required for each action listed in §124.10(a) of this chapter, the Director shall also publish notice in a daily or weekly newspaper of general circulation in the affected area for actions concerning Class II wells.

§ 147.3102 Plugging and abandonment plans.

In lieu of the requirements of §144.28(c)(1) and (2) (i)–(iii) of this chapter, owners and operators of Class II wells shall comply with the plugging and abandonment provisions of §147.3108 of this subpart.

§ 147.3103 Fluid seals.

Notwithstanding §§144.28(f)(2) and 146.12(c) of this chapter, owners and operators shall not use a fluid seal as an alternative to a packer.

§ 147.3104 Notice of abandonment.

(a) In addition to the notice required by §144.28(j)(2) of this chapter, the owner or operator shall at the same time submit plugging information in conformance with §147.3108 of this subpart including:

(1) Type and number of plugs;

(2) Elevation of top and bottom of each plug;

(3) Method of plug placement; and

(4) Type, grade and quantity of cement to be used.

(b) In addition to the permit conditions specified in §§144.51 and 144.52 of this chapter, each owner and operator shall submit and each permit shall contain the following information (in conformance with §146.3108 of this subpart):

(1) Type and number of plugs;

(2) Elevation of top and bottom of each plug;

(3) Method of plug placement; and

(4) Type, grade and quantity of cement to be used.