

Changes to the Experimental Flag on Facilities

Jurisdiction	Release/Revision Date	Location of Change in this Document	Comment
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Audience: All Alberta users

Purpose: To inform users about changes that will be implemented in Petrinex on April 2, 2014 related to the experimental flag on facilities.

This flag has been renamed Experimental Confidential, and the setting will now be automated and cannot be changed manually. The Experimental Approval Number field has also been removed.

Background: After the AER approves an experimental scheme and designates it as confidential, facilities linked to any experimental confidential wells within that scheme need to have the Experimental Confidential flag activated to ensure volumetric data is displayed only to the operator.

The flag applies only if the scheme is approved as **experimental confidential**. Not all experimental schemes are confidential. Automating the flag ensures that confidential volumetric data is not publicized in error.

The Experimental Confidential flag is automatically set to "Yes" if the facility is linked to any experimental confidential wells, and it is set to "No" if there are no experimental confidential wells linked to the facility. The facility flag settings change automatically when well experimental confidentiality changes. When the Experimental Confidential flag is changed, a notification will be sent to the facility operator.

- When the flag changes from **No to Yes**:

“Facility Experimental Confidential Flag Activated: The Experimental Confidential indicator flag for facility ID [AB xx XXXXXXX] has been activated because one or more experimental confidential wells (well IDs x, y) related to an AER-approved experimental scheme have been linked to this facility.”

- When the flag changes from **Yes to No**:

“Facility Experimental Confidential Flag Removed: The Experimental Confidential indicator flag for facility ID [AB xx XXXXXXX] has been de-activated because the confidentiality related to an AER-approved experimental scheme has expired or has been identified as invalid for wells linked to this facility.”

Because the flag is automated, the Experimental Approval Number field is no longer required and has been removed from the screen.

NOTE: At the time the flag automation is implemented, the facility flag values are verified and corrected as necessary. After the implementation, operators are encouraged to verify that the flag settings on their facilities are correct.

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