

## **Registry Tip**

## **Modifications to The Well Status Process**

Release/Revision Date	Location of Change in this Document	Comment
February 15, 2011	Key Principles - Options	Updated name of Pool Code 0999660
February 8, 2011		Initial Release
Audience:	Licensees and operators of all producing wells; agents reporting production on behalf of licensees and operators	
Purpose:	This tip is to inform users that effective <b>February 3, 2011</b> , there have been changes made to the "Edit Well Status" process on the Registry. These changes affect the "ADD" and "MODIFY" functions.	
Background:	<ul> <li>Wells may be produced on a segregated pool basis, in which case these changes will have no significant effect on well status updates. The management of commingled production in the wellbore required the use of one of three processes to be identified:</li> <li>Development Entity (DE) commingling</li> <li>Self-Declared (SD) commingling, and</li> <li>Applications in accordance with Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB) <i>Directive 065: Resources Applications for Oil and Gas Reservoirs (Directive 65)</i> for approval of commingling resulting in a commingling order (MU Order).</li> </ul>	
Prior to Feb 3, 2011, the commingling processes were to wells by the DE, SD or the temporary pool code opti chosen by the Well Licensee.		
Key Principles:	With the changes made to the Registry the Licensee must now identify the process used to commingle production by selecting the appropriate item on a new drop down list entitled "Commingling Process". The underlying Commingling Eff. Date box will time stamp on the date that the commingling process is chosen.	



There are **6 options** for the identification of the commingling process (production strategy) in the well bore:

- **None:** This is the default and must be chosen for single pool completions.
- <u>Development Entity #1:</u> must be chosen for wells producing commingled gas from DE No. 1 in accordance with the decisional criteria set out in section 3.1 of *Directive 065*
- <u>Development Entity #2:</u> must be chosen for wells producing commingled gas from DE No. 2 in accordance with the decisional criteria set out in section 3.1 of *Directive 065*
- <u>MU Commingling Order</u>: must be chosen when\_an application in accordance with *Directive 065* was approved for commingling resulting in an MU Order
- <u>Self-declared gas</u>: must be chosen for wells producing commingled gas in accordance with the self-declared decisional criteria set out in section 3.1 of *Directive 065*
- <u>Self-declared oil</u>: must be chosen for wells producing commingled oil in accordance with the self-declared decisional criteria set out in section 3.1 of *Directive 065*

The ERCB will be monitoring commingled wells to ensure that the appropriate commingling process was reported to the Registry. If an incorrect commingling process was chosen, this may result in shut-in of the well through an enforcement action.

The temp commingled code 0999660 (Temp Commingled Code) should now be chosen when reporting commingled production for the first time regardless of the commingling process used. The DE and SD commingling codes will remain on the drop down pool code listing to allow for ERCB administration; however, effective **February 3, 2011**, these codes should not be chosen to report commingled production.

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