

Adding WIO Data to RTP Records

Jurisdiction	Release/Revision Date	Location of Change in this Document	Comment
SK	August 25, 2014	Key Messages	Extend deadline for submission of WIO information, to advise on how to submit in cases where the RTP operator for prior periods is incorrect, and to advise on implementation of the prior period amendments checkbox for RTP.
SK	June 18, 2014		Provide clarification of who can update WIO information and add a link to the directive.
SK	March 4, 2014		Initial Release

Audience: All Saskatchewan Users

Purpose: To inform Industry that effective March 6, 2014, new Petrinex functionality will allow BAs to add non-royalty paying working interest owner (WIO) information into the Royalty Tax Payer functionality. Industry is expected to add the WIO information retroactive to the March 2012 production month when Saskatchewan joined Petrinex.

Background: WIO information is currently required by Saskatchewan to facilitate the calculation of the Resource Surcharge, which is a tax that is collected by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Finance (Finance). Finance relies on the Ministry of the Economy (ECON) to collect WIO data from Industry and to generate an estimate of the amount of Resource Surcharge potentially owing by each WIO.

Previously, ECON requested that BAs use the Allocations functionality in Petrinex to provide WIO information. ECON

extracted the resulting SAF/OAF factors and used that WIO data to generate the Resource Surcharge estimate for Finance. If the SAF/OAF factors were not provided, ECON would default to the RTP data (i.e. it was assumed that all WIOs were listed as Royalty Tax Payers) and used the RTP data as a representation of the WIO data.

Using monthly submission of Allocations data as a source for WIO data proved to be cumbersome for many BAs and led to numerous mismatches between the WIOs that were listed as Royalty Tax Payers and those that were submitted via the Allocations functionality. As a result, at the request of Industry, the RTP functionality has been enhanced to allow submission of WIO information.

Key Messages

Effective March 6, 2014, BAs that are RTP operators are required to amend the RTP records for wells and units to list the appropriate working interest percentages that are applicable to any WIOs that are not already listed as Royalty Tax Payers.

The new Resource Surcharge calculation, which is being revised to use the WIO information submitted through the RTP functionality, will not be put into production until October 2, 2014. As a result, ECON is extending the deadline for updating WIO information within the RTP records to the end of September 2014. After that time, the new WIO information will be made available to Finance for purposes of rerunning the Resource Surcharge calculation, if they so choose, for all prior production months starting with March 2012.

ECON is not discouraging the use of Allocations functionality in Petrinex, since it is Industry to Industry functionality. However, after September 2014, ECON intends to discontinue receiving the SAF/OAF extract from Petrinex and will rely solely on the RTP functionality for WIO data.

Prior to the implementation of these changes, the current RTP operator had the ability to make changes to RTP records, including historical RTP records applicable to production months prior to when the current RTP operator

became the operator of record for the well/unit. When the changes which provided for entry of WIO information to existing RTP records were implemented in Petrinex, only the operator of record for the current production month was able to add RTP/WIO information for a well/unit.

Changes to the original functionality have been developed and are scheduled for implementation on September 3, 2014. When these changes are implemented, the operator of record for a given production month (commencing March 2012) will be able to add RTP/WIO information for a well/unit. An additional change has been developed that adds a button to the Request Operator Change screen to allow the current operator to authorize a new operator to make prior period amendments for RTP records.

In situations where the currently listed RTP operator is not listed as a Royalty Tax Payer (i.e. has no RTP percentage specified in the RTP record), that operator will not be able to add WIO information to the record. For example, in situations where a company uses two BA codes for business reasons and the code specified for the RTP operator is different from the code specified for their RTP percentage, an operator change will be required to bring them in line and enable submission of WIO information for that record. However, since an operator change cannot be made for prior periods, a data fix will be required to enable submission of WIO information for those prior periods. If you are aware of such situations, please email your request for an RTP operator data fix to png.support@gov.sk.ca

A copy of the directive explaining these changes in further detail is available on our Ministry website at the following link:
<http://economy.gov.sk.ca/ReportingDirectives>

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