

## Implementation of Enhanced Oil and Gas Measurement and Reporting Requirements in Saskatchewan

Jurisdiction	Release/Revision Date	Location of Change in this Document	Comment
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**Audience:** All Saskatchewan Users

**Purpose:** This tip is to inform SK Petrinex users of new facility subtypes have been incorporated into Petrinex effective May 6, 2015 to facilitate the adoption of new oil and gas measurement requirements in Saskatchewan.

**Background:** The Ministry of the Economy (ECON) is performing a comprehensive review of many of the regulatory processes that impact on the oil and gas industry in Saskatchewan and intends to update and modernize these processes over the next several years. As part of that review, the current regulatory requirements with respect to oil and gas measurement in Saskatchewan were identified as being outdated and lacking in detail.

As a first step towards regulatory modernization, ECON established an Industry consultation committee which determined that Saskatchewan's measurement requirements should be harmonized, to the extent practical, with those that exist in Alberta, as represented by the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) *Directive 017 - Measurement Requirements for Oil and Gas Operations*.

The committee has completed its review of AER Directive 017 and ECON is preparing to introduce the Saskatchewan version of Directive 017.

The proposed new measurement requirements in Saskatchewan necessitated the adoption by ECON of many new facility subtypes that are currently used in Alberta for Petrinex reporting purposes. In December 2014, ECON posted a document on its website which identified existing facilities and the new facility subtype each had been assigned to based on the new measurement requirements. Industry was asked to verify, by March 31, 2015, that the correct facility subtype had been assigned to each facility.

## **Key Messages:**

New facility subtypes that are required to track and monitor compliance with the new measurement requirements have been incorporated into Petrinex and are effective for April 2015 production month reporting. Directive R01 – Volumetric, Valuation and Infrastructure Reporting located at <http://www.saskatchewan.ca/IRIS> (click on Prerequisites) is being updated to reflect these changes.

Compliance with the new reporting requirements will be enforced immediately. Any amendments to volumetric submissions for months prior to April 2015 will also be subject to the new reporting and compliance requirements.

If a facility has been assigned an incorrect facility subtype, Industry should contact ECON and provide the necessary supporting documentation in order to verify the proper subtype for the facility

A letter to all operators will be posted at <http://economy.gov.sk.ca/NoticeToOperators> to explain how the new measurement requirements will be implemented. Saskatchewan Directive PNG017 will also be made available on that same website. This version of the directive, which contains the measurement requirements for both Alberta and Saskatchewan (with differences highlighted

throughout the document in a tabular format), will not be put into force in Saskatchewan for approximately one year.

Since Directive PNG017 includes a lot of information with respect to reporting in Petrinex, ECON encourages production accountants to review the on-line document over the next few months and welcomes any comments or suggestions with respect to errors, deficiencies or lack of clarity. Please direct your comments to: Directive17.ECON@gov.sk.ca. ECON intends to respond to comments through a Question and Answer document which will be posted at the same website location. Revisions to the directive may be posted at various times over the next year prior to it being put into force.

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