

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

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MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

GARY C. RIKARD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

April 28, 2017

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Mr. Randy Robichaux Denbury Onshore LLC, Heidelberg Central Facility 5320 Legacy Drive Plano, TX 75024

> Re: Denbury Onshore LLC, Heidelberg Central Facility Agreed Order No. 6749 17

Dear Mr. Robichaux:

Enclosed you will find a copy of Agreed Order No. 6749 17, which has been executed by the Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Gary Rikard, on behalf of the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality.

The enclosed Order assesses a civil penalty. The penalty payment, when due, should be made by check payable to the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality and returned in the enclosed, self-addressed envelope to the MDEQ Fees Division at P.O. Box 2339, Jackson, MS 39225.

If you have any questions regarding your obligations under the enclosed order, please contact Cody Fisher at (601) 961-5065.

Sincerely,

Tim Aultman, P.E.

Chief, Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Division

Enclosure

cc: Cody Fisher

Agency Interest No. 38197

ENF20130002

BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

COMPLAINANT

VS.

6749 17

DENBURY ONSHORE, LLC 5320 LEGACY DRIVE PLANO, TEXAS 75024

RESPONDENT

AGREED ORDER

COME NOW the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality (Commission), acting through the staff and Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), Complainant, and, Denbury Onshore, LLC, Respondent, in the above captioned cause and agree as follows:

1.

By letter dated February 19, 2015, Respondent was contacted by Complainant and notified of the following alleged violation at its facility located at Heidelberg, Mississippi in Jasper County:

A. Violation of Miss. Code Ann. § 49-17-29(2)(a): A well control event in the West Heidelberg Oil and Gas Field occurred that released carbon dioxide and potentially petroleum hydrocarbons into the intended formation, through water bearing formations, and onto the surface in violation of Miss. Code Ann. § 49-17-29(2)(a), which makes it unlawful for any person to cause pollution of any waters of the state or to place or cause to be placed any wastes in a location where they are likely to cause pollution of waters of the state (the "Incident").

2.

All statements and legal conclusions in Paragraph 1 are Complainant's allegations, and Respondent neither admits nor denies Complainant's specific factual allegations and legal conclusions contained in Paragraph 1.

3.

In lieu of a formal enforcement hearing concerning the alleged violation listed above, Complainant and Respondent agree to settle this matter as follows:

A. Respondent agrees to pay, and Complainant agrees to accept, a civil penalty in the amount of \$195,000.00. Payment shall be submitted within thirty (30) days of execution of this Agreed Order by the Commission to:

Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality Attn: Jennifer Parish P.O. Box 2339 Jackson, MS 39225

Payment of this amount by Respondent constitutes a final and complete settlement of all civil penalties related to the Incident.

- B. If Commission-approved Environmental Covenants are negotiated with all impacted property owners, Paragraphs C-I listed below do not apply.
- C. Respondent shall conduct groundwater monitoring of the Will Darty Well ("well") for at least eight consecutive quarterly sampling events and until the well exhibits concentrations of Constituents of Concern ("CoCs") (defined as benzene and DRO) below the Target Remediation Goals ("TRGs") for three consecutive sample events.
- D. The well must have valid analytical results for each sampling event. If for any reason data from sampling results from any sampling event are invalid, then another consecutive sampling event must be added to take its place.

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- E. If no significant decrease of CoCs is observed in the well, MDEQ may require Corrective Action, the installation of additional groundwater monitoring wells, and/or the implementation of an institutional control on each impacted property.
- F. After the eighth consecutive quarterly sampling event, Respondent may petition the MDEQ to modify the groundwater sampling frequency. MDEQ will evaluate the collected data to determine an appropriate site-specific groundwater sampling frequency and may modify the groundwater sampling frequency. Otherwise, sampling must continue on a quarterly basis.
- G. Within thirty (30) days of the date of this Agreed Order, a groundwater sampling event shall be conducted by Respondent.
- H. Within sixty (60) days of each groundwater sampling event, a groundwater sampling report shall be submitted to MDEQ.
- Respondent shall notify MDEQ within fifteen (15) business days prior to any field sampling activities.

4.

Nothing in this Agreed Order shall limit the rights of MDEQ or the Commission in the event Respondent fails to comply with this Agreed Order. The Agreed Order shall be strictly construed to apply to those matters expressly resolved herein.

5.

Nothing contained in this Agreed Order shall limit the rights of MDEQ or the Commission to take enforcement or other actions against Respondent for violations not addressed herein and for future violations of environmental laws, rules, and regulations.

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Respondent understands and acknowledges that it is entitled to an evidentiary hearing before the Commission pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 49-17 -31, and that it has made an informed waiver of that right.

ORDERED, this the 28 day of APRIL, 2017.

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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