



STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
DEPARTMENT OF MINES  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

NOTICE OF PROPOSED LOCATION OF OIL AND GAS WELL

To THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES,  
Charleston, W. Va.

NONE

COAL OPERATOR OR COAL OWNER

ADDRESS

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ADDRESS

OWNER OF MINERAL RIGHTS

ADDRESS

R. L. Deem  
NAME OF WELL OPERATOR

1210 Pike St., Parkersburg, W. Va.  
COMPLETE ADDRESS

October 19, 19 50

PROPOSED LOCATION

Tygart District

Wood County

Well No. 1 <sup>39°15'</sup> <sub>81°30'</sub>

Margaret B. Deem Farm

GENTLEMEN:

The undersigned well operator is entitled to drill upon the above named farm or tract of land for oil and gas, having fee title thereto, (or as the case may be) under grant or lease dated \_\_\_\_\_, made by Margaret B. Deem, to R. L. Deem, and recorded on the 21 day of May, 1947, in the office of the County Clerk for said County in Book 296, page 193.

The enclosed plat was prepared by a competent engineer and shows the proposed location of a well to be drilled for oil and gas by the undersigned well operator on the farm and in the Magisterial District and County above named, determined by survey and courses and distances from two permanent points, or land marks.

The undersigned well operator is informed and believes there are no coal operators operating beds of coal beneath said farm or tract of land on which said well is located, or within 500 feet of the boundaries of the same, who have mapped their workings and filed their maps as required by law, excepting the coal operators or coal owners (if any) above named as addressees.

The above named coal operators or coal owners (if any) are notified that any objections they may desire to make to such proposed location, or which they are required to make by Section 3 of said Code, if the drilling of a well at said proposed location will cause a dangerous condition in or about their respective coal mines, must be received by, or filed with the Department of Mines within ten\* days from the receipt of a copy of this notice and accompanying plat by said Department. Said coal operators are further notified that forms for use in making such objections will be furnished to them by the Department of Mines promptly on request and that all such objections must set forth as definitely as is reasonably possible the ground or grounds on which such objections are based and indicate the direction and distance the proposed location should be moved to overcome same.

(The next paragraph is to be completed only in Department's copy.)

Copies of this notice and the enclosed plat were mailed by registered mail, or delivered to the above named coal operators or coal owners at their above shown respective address \_\_\_\_\_ day before, or on the same day with the mailing or delivery of this copy to the Department of Mines at Charleston, West Virginia.

Very truly yours,

*R. L. Deem*

R. L. Deem WELL OPERATOR

1210 Pike Street

STREET

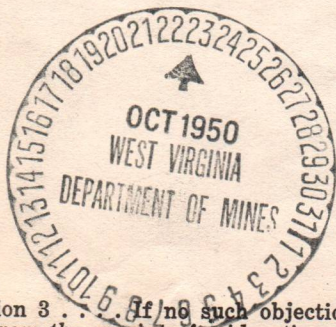
S. S. Parkersburg

CITY OR TOWN

West Virginia

STATE

12/15/2023



Address of Well Operator }

\*Section 3. If no such objections be filed or be found by the department of mines, within said period of ten days from the receipt of said notice and plat by the department of mines, to said proposed location, the department shall forthwith issue to the well operator a drilling permit reciting the filing of such plat, that no objections have been made by the coal operators to the location, or found thereto by the department, and that the same is approved and the well operator authorized to proceed to drill at said location.

A-9  
September 26, 1951

Mr. R. L. Deem  
1210 Pike Street  
Parkersburg, West Virginia

Dear Sir:

Please send affidavit for the plugging of Well No. 1 on the Margaret Deem Farm, Tygart District, Wood County for which permit WOO-345 was issued August 28, 1951.

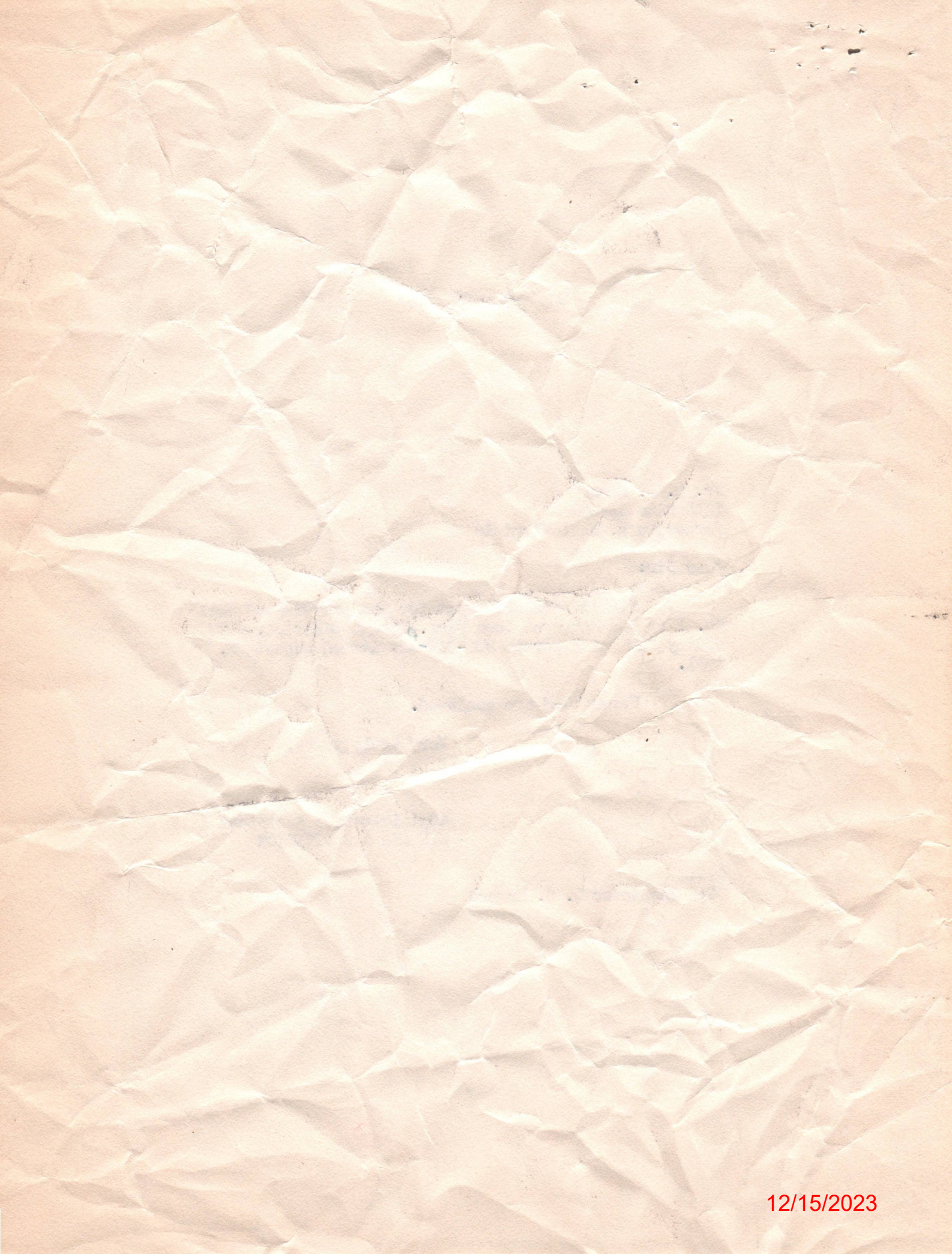
Forms OG-8 are enclosed.

Very truly yours,

Administrative Assistant  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

CNH:K  
CC: Inspector O. C. Howard

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1-10  
January 3, 1951

Mr. Malcolm B. Loudon, Attorney at Law  
312 $\frac{1}{2}$  Juliana Street  
Parkersburg, West Virginia

Dear Mr. Loudon:

Your letter under date of December 30th received. You have asked for information which you failed to make clear enough for us to understand.

We would like to know the name of the company that drilled the well to 1047 feet; on what farm was it drilled or was the drilling deeper done under the original permit or was it a transfer of the original owner to your client who you describe as the driller and was the land owner, referred to by you, part of the company drilling the well. If we had this information, we would then be able to tell you how to file your intent to plug.

Very truly yours,

Administrative Assistant  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

CNH:g

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January 22, 1951

Mr. R. L. Deem  
1210 Pike Street  
Parkersburg, West Virginia

Dear Sir:

It has been reported to this office that you have drilled a dry hole on the Margaret B. Deem Farm, Tygart District, Wood County for which we issued permit W00-345.

We wish to refer you to Section 10 of the Oil and Gas Laws which states that a well not being operated must be filled and plugged according to the statute.

We would appreciate hearing from you in regard to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Administrative Assistant  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

MG:g

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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
DEPARTMENT OF MINES  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

WELL RECORD

Permit No. W00-345

Oil or Gas Well DRY  
(KIND)

Company <u>R. L. DEEM</u>	Casing and Tubing	Used in Drilling	Left in Well	Packers
Address <u>1210 PIKE ST. PARKERSBURG WVA</u>	Size			
Farm <u>MARGARET B. DEEM</u> Acres	16			Kind of Packer
Location (waters) <u>Ohio</u>	13			
Well No. <u>1</u> Elev.	10			Size of
District <u>TYGART</u> County <u>WOOD</u>	8 1/4	<u>301</u>		Depth set
The surface of tract is owned in fee by <u>MARGARET B. DEEM</u> Address <u>1210 PIKE ST.</u>	6 5/8	<u>951</u>		
Mineral rights are owned by <u>MARGARET B. DEEM</u> Address <u>1210 PIKE ST</u>	5 3/16			
Drilling commenced <u>24 October 1950</u>	3			Perf. top
Drilling completed <u>12 November 1950</u>	2			Perf. bottom
Date Shot <u>None</u> From To	Liners Used			Perf. top
With				Perf. bottom

Open Flow /10ths Water in \_\_\_\_\_ Inch  
 /10ths Merc. in \_\_\_\_\_ Inch  
 Volume \_\_\_\_\_ Cu. Ft.  
 Rock Pressure \_\_\_\_\_ lbs. \_\_\_\_\_ hrs.  
 Oil \_\_\_\_\_ bbls., 1st 24 hrs.  
 Fresh water 278 feet 285 feet  
 Salt water 1001 feet 1025 feet

CASING CEMENTED None SIZE \_\_\_\_\_ No. Ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

COAL WAS ENCOUNTERED AT None FEET \_\_\_\_\_ INCHES  
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Formation	Color	Hard or Soft	Top	Bottom	Oil, Gas or Water	Depth Found	Remarks
LOAM, CLAY	LIGHT	SOFT	0	90			
QUICKSAND	GRAY	HARD	90	110			
SAND			110	160			
SLATE	RED & BLUE	SOFT	160	175			
SAND	GRAY	HARD	175	265			
SLATE	RED & BLUE	SOFT	265	275			
SAND	Gray	haul	275	339			
Slate	Red & Gray	soft	339	369			
Sand	gray	haul	369	799			
Slate, Red	Red, gray	soft	799	951			
Slate	gray	soft	951	968			
sand, Slate	Black gray	soft	968	1053			
sand	white	haul	1053	1060			
slate	gray	soft	1060	1125			
sand	white	haul					

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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
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WELL RECORD

Permit No. W-345

Oil or Gas Well \_\_\_\_\_  
(KIND)

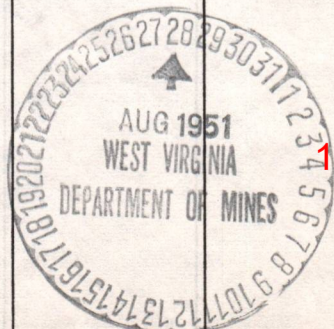
Company R. L. DEEM  
Address 1210 PIKE ST., PARKERSBURG,  
Farm R. L. DEEM Acres \_\_\_\_\_  
Location (waters) SOUTH SIDE, PARKERSBURG,  
Well No. 1 Elev. \_\_\_\_\_  
District TYGART County WOOD  
The surface of tract is owned in fee by R. L. DEEM  
Address 1210 PIKE ST.  
Mineral rights are owned by SAME  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Drilling commenced NOV. 8, 1950  
Drilling completed NOV. 26, 1950  
Date Shot \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_  
With \_\_\_\_\_

Casing and Tubing	Used in Drilling	Left in Well	Packers
Size			Kind of Packer
16			
13			
10	<u>20'</u>		Size of
8 1/4	<u>325'</u>		
6 3/4	<u>1010'</u>		Depth set
5 3/16			
3			Perf. top
2			Perf. bottom
Liners Used			Perf. top
			Perf. bottom

Open Flow \_\_\_\_\_ /10ths Water in \_\_\_\_\_ Inch  
\_\_\_\_\_ /10ths Merc. in \_\_\_\_\_ Inch  
Volume \_\_\_\_\_ Cu. Ft.  
Rock Pressure \_\_\_\_\_ lbs. \_\_\_\_\_ hrs.  
Oil \_\_\_\_\_ bbls., 1st 24 hrs.  
Fresh water 278 feet 285 feet  
Salt water 1001 feet 1025 feet

CASING CEMENTED	SIZE	No. Ft.	Date
COAL WAS ENCOUNTERED AT _____ FEET _____ INCHES			

Formation	Color	Hard or Soft	Top	Bottom	Oil, Gas or Water	Depth Found	Remarks
SAND	GREY	HARD	185'	230			
SLATE	"	SOFT	230	245'			
SAND	WHITE	HARD	245'	330'			
SLATE	GREY	SOFT	330	340			
SAND	WHITE	HARD	340	404			
SLATE	GREY	SOFT	404	435'			
SAND	WHITE	HARD	435'	470			
RED ROCK		SOFT	470	850			
SLATE	BLACK	SOFT	850	920			
LIME	GREY	HARD	920	938'			
PINK ROCK		SOFT	938	964			
LIME	GREY	HARD	964	1025'			
DUNKARD SAND	WHITE	HARD	1025'	1135'			
SLATE	BLACK		1135'	1145'			
SAND	WHITE		1145'	1191			
TOTAL DEPTH			1191				



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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
DEPARTMENT OF MINES  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

INSPECTOR'S PLUGGING REPORT

Permit No. WV #344P Well No. 1

COMPANY R L Deem ADDRESS Parkhurst W Va.

FARM R L Deem DISTRICT Sygart COUNTY Wood

Filling Material Used Clay and Cement

Liner Location Amount Packer Location

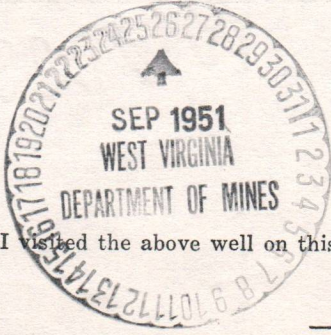
PLUGS USED AND DEPTH PLACED			BRIDGES	CASING AND TUBING		
CEMENT-THICKNESS	WOOD-SIZE	LEAD	CONSTRUCTION-LOCATION	RECOVERED	SIZE	LOST
<u>Completed Sept 13 - 1953</u>				<u>460</u>	<u>6 3/8</u>	<u>660</u>
<u>No inspection</u>				<u>325</u>	<u>8 1/4</u>	<u>00</u>
<u>No inspection</u>				<u>20</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>00</u>

Drillers' Names \_\_\_\_\_

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

9/20-1953  
DATE

I hereby certify I visited the above well on this date.



Alb Howard

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
DEPARTMENT OF MINES  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

INSPECTOR'S WELL REPORT

Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_

Oil or Gas Well \_\_\_\_\_  
(KIND)

	CASING AND TUBING	USED IN DRILLING	LEFT IN WELL	PACKERS
Company _____	Size			
Address _____	16			Kind of Packer _____
Farm _____	13			
Well No. _____	10			Size of _____
District _____ County _____	8 1/4			
Drilling commenced _____	6 5/8			Depth set _____
Drilling completed _____ Total depth _____	5 3/16			
Date shot _____ Depth of shot _____	3			Perf. top _____
Initial open flow _____ /10ths Water in _____ Inch	2			Perf. bottom _____
Open flow after tubing _____ /10ths Merc. in _____ Inch	Liners Used			Perf. top _____
Volume _____ Cu. Ft.				Perf. bottom _____
Rock pressure _____ lbs. _____ hrs.	CASING CEMENTED _____ SIZE _____ No. FT. _____ Date _____			
Oil _____ bbls., 1st 24 hrs.	COAL WAS ENCOUNTERED AT _____ FEET _____ INCHES			
Fresh water _____ feet _____ feet	_____ FEET _____ INCHES _____ FEET _____ INCHES			
Salt water _____ feet _____ feet	_____ FEET _____ INCHES _____ FEET _____ INCHES			

Drillers' Names \_\_\_\_\_

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_



DATE

DISTRICT WELL INSPECTOR

12/15/2023



STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
DEPARTMENT OF MINES  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PLUG AND ABANDON WELL

(REQUIRED BY SECTION 9, ARTICLE 4, CHAPTER 22 OF THE CODE)

To THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES,  
Charleston, W. Va.

COAL OPERATOR OR COAL OWNER	R. L. DEEM	NAME OF WELL OPERATOR
ADDRESS	1210 PIKE ST., PARKERSBURG.	COMPLETE ADDRESS
COAL OPERATOR OR COAL OWNER	AUG. 27, 1951	WELL TO BE ABANDONED
ADDRESS	TYGART	District
LEASE OR PROPERTY OWNER	Wood	County
ADDRESS	Well No. 1	
	R. L. DEEM	Farm

Gentlemen:— NOTIFY INSPECTOR O. C. HOWARD, GRANTSVILLE, W. VA. - PHONE 108  
24 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF PLUGGING DATE.

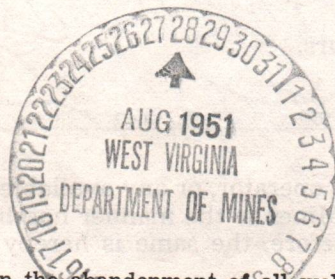
The undersigned well operator is about to abandon the above described well and will commence the work of plugging and abandoning said well on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of Aug., 1951, (which date shall not be less than five days after the day on which this notice so mailed is received, or in due course should be received by the Department of Mines.)

This notice is given you in order that your respective representatives may be present at the plugging and filling of said well. You are further notified that whether you are represented or not represented the undersigned will proceed on that date, or shortly thereafter, to plug and fill said well in the manner required by Section 10, Article 4, Chapter 22 of the Code and given in detail on the reverse side of this notice, in "Work Order."

This notice is being mailed by registered mail to each of you at the above addresses on the above date.

Very truly yours,

R. L. Deem  
Well Operator.



12/15/2023

NOTE: Upon the abandonment of all wells drilled prior to June 1, 1929, a plat prepared by a competent engineer, showing the district and county in which the tract of land is located, the name and acreage of same, the names of the owners and adjacent tracts, and the location of the about to be abandoned well, determined by survey, and the courses and distances of such well from two permanent points or landmarks on said tract, shall be submitted with this notice.

(Over)

Woo-345-P PERMIT NUMBER

PROPOSED MANNER OF PLUGGING AND FILLING WELL

(REQUIRED BY RULES AND REGULATIONS)

WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF MINES  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

WORK ORDER

Well to be plugged and filled as follows:

TOTAL DEPTH 1191  
FILL WITH RED CLAY 1191 TO 1030  
NEAT CEMENT 1030-1020  
5' CRUSHED STONE ON CEMENT PLUG.  
PULL 6" CASING.  
FILL WITH CLAY TO 800'  
NEAT CEMENT 800-790'  
5' CRUSHED STONE ON CEMENT PLUG.  
SET PERMANENT BRIDGE AT 375'  
FILL WITH CLAY TO SURFACE  
ERECT MARKER AS DESCRIBED IN RULE 18, REG, 1931

To the Department of Mines  
Coal Owner or Operator,  
Lease or Property Owner.

Gentlemen:

This "work order" is submitted for your approval and concurrence and unless notified of your disapproval or non-concurrence, the undersigned will proceed with the plugging and filling of said well in the above described manner on the date stated in the notice of intention to plug and abandon the said well on opposite side of this sheet.

Very truly yours,

*R. J. Damm*

Well Operator.

No objections have been filed by the coal owner or coal operator, or any available adjacent lease or property owners or interposed by the Department of Mines to the manner herein described for the plugging and filling of the well above mentioned. Therefore, the same is hereby approved by me on 12/15/2023

28th day of August, 19 51.

DEPARTMENT OF MINES  
Oil and Gas Division

By: *C. H. Hall*

NOTE: This "work order" shall be filed in triplicate, one copy for the files of the Department of Mines; one to be approved or corrected and returned to the well operator as his authority for plugging said well; and one for the well inspector.

E-6.

January 31, 1951

Mr. R. L. Deem  
1210 Pike Street  
Parkersburg, West Virginia

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your reply of January 23rd to our letter of January 22nd in regard to your Well no. 1 on the Margaret B. Deem Farm, Tygart District, Wood County.

In our previous letter we advised that since the well was a dry hole, it would have to be plugged and there was no reference to any indebtedness on your part concerning the well. The department cannot enter a controversy of this kind. We are merely interested in the condition of the well and, as stated previously, Section 10 of the Oil and Gas Laws makes it mandatory on the operator to fill and plug a dry hole. It will be necessary for this to be done within the near future.

Very truly yours,

Administrative Assistant  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

MG:G

12/15/2023

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LAW OFFICE  
MALCOLM B. LOUDEN  
312 1/2 JULIANA - TELEPHONE 2-1404  
PARKERSBURG, W. VA.

May 17, 1951

Mr. C. N. Hall  
Department of Mines  
Charleston, West Virginia

Dear Sir:

Will you please inform me of the date of the permit No. Woo-345 for a well drilled on the Margaret B. Deem Farm, Tygart District, Wood County.

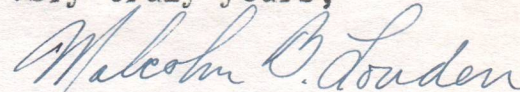
Mr. Deem the operator and promoter of said well has abandoned the same for at least 6 months and refuses to plug the well. He has thereby refused to comply with the Statute Law of West Virginia in reference to the plugging of abandoned wells.

Mr. Deem refuses to remove casing belonging to a driller hired to do the drilling of the well. Said driller, H. L. Collins, seeks a hearing by your department to settle the controversy and order the plugging so that he may obtain his casing or be paid for the same.

Will you set a date for a hearing on this matter and supply me with forms of notices and complaint forms if there be such.

Thanking you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,



Malcolm B. Loudon

MBL/lg

12/15/2023

LAW OFFICE  
MALCOLM B. FLOREN  
1100 ...  
PARKERSBURG, W. VA.

1951

Mr. ...  
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45-8

June 4, 1951

Mr. R. L. Deem  
1210 Pike Street  
Parkersburg, West Virginia

Dear Sir:

We have written you two letters with regard to the well on the Margaret B. Deem Farm, Tygart District, Wood County but to date, we have not had a reply. These letters were dated January 31st and May 17th. The only reply we have had was yours of January 23rd to our letter of January 22nd.

If the above-described well has been drilled as far as you intend to drill it and is not to be deepened, it will necessary to make arrangements for the plugging without further delay. This Department has no interest in your controversy with the driller as that is a matter to be settled between you and he. However, the law does not permit a dry well to remain unplugged for an indefinite period and an explanation is due at once or application to abandon the well must be filed.

Very truly yours,

Administrative Assistant  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

MG:g  
cc: C. C. Howard, Inspector

E-9  
June 4, 1951

Mr. Malcolm B. Loudon, Attorney  
312½ Juliana Street  
Parkersburg, West Virginia

Dear Sir:

On May 22nd, 1951, Mrs. Griffith wrote you in reference to your letter in behalf of your client, Mr. H. A. Collins, stating when I returned to the City, I would write you further.

I have on file in this case quite much correspondence regarding same and yet I am not sure that I get a true picture of the controversy in question. You state for your client that Mr. Deem, the operator and promoter has abandoned same but I gather from a former letter of yours dated December 30, 1950 that there might have been further agreements, verbal, as to the first contract not being complied with as to depth, etc and it appears to me that it might be possible that the verbal agreement was not fulfilled. It is true that the well will have to be plugged if not a producer but a hearing by this Department to settle the difference of opinion and understanding between promoter and driller, so far as it affects either of them financially is not good and is not in accordance with the law pertaining to such matters in this Department.

We have heretofore informed Mr. Deem as to what this State's requirements are in regard to plugging wells and we are writing him again today.

Very truly yours,

Administrative Assistant  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

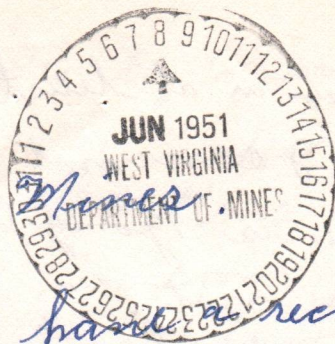
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Parkersburg:  
12 10 Pick St.

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Department of Mines



Messrs: I have a record  
of answering your letter  
of May 17th telling you that  
the casing was in tact.

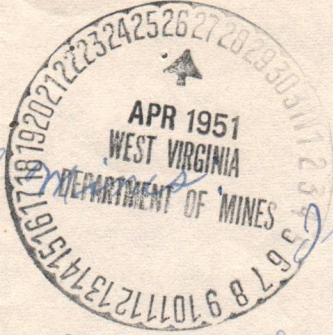
Mr. Howard Collins living  
at Vienna w va. appears  
to be the man you should  
write to.

He is the promoter,  
Contractor, and head man  
in the deal. He sold Dennis  
Gayfield a  $\frac{1}{8}$  int in the  
Project for two hundred dollars  
paid cash for same.

Collins is afraid of the Blue Sky

W00-345

4-25-1951



Department of Mines

In reply to your letter

in regard to the record of well on the Margaret B. Dumm farm, will say I have no record of the well. Dennis Gayfield and Howard Collins have the records of the well.

By their statement they are down Eleven hundred and twenty five feet in the Baker sand stuck gas and plenty of frog eyes on the water.

They hung the tools in the hole and quit.

The question is why.

The casing is intact and plugged with 850 or 900 ft of salt water in the hole.

Personally I do not want it pulled and plugged. I would much rather see them finish the well.

They owe me 22 ft more hole but it will do no good to drill open hole with 800 ft of water in it.

I feel it is a shame to let them get away with the job they were to do and have not completed the same.

Begging your advice

I remain

R. L. Dumm.

12/15/2023



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