Public Notice

Mississippi Environmental Quality Permit Board

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Venture Oil and Gas Inc, Ford 8-5 Number 1 Tank Battery, located at Well Road off of Smith CR 33B, in Taylorsville, MS, (601) 518-0622, has applied to the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality for the following permitting action(s): Permit to Construct, Air Ref. No. 2500-00096. The applicant's operations fall within SIC Code 1311. A Statement of Basis has been prepared that contains a discussion of the decision-making that went into the development of the permit and provides the permitting authority, the public, and other government bodies a record of the technical issues surrounding issuance of the permit. The Statement of Basis also addresses any changes to emissions and/or discharges resulting from any modification of the facility.

The Ford 8-5 Number 1 Facility is a proposed oil and gas production facility containing the following emissions points: one (1) control flare, one (1) pump engine, two (2) separators, one (1) heater treater, four (4) miscellaneous chemical tanks, four (4) oil and water tanks, and fugitives from equipment leaks and load out operations. Emissions from the separators, oil and water tanks, and the heater treater will be routed to the flare for control. For the entire facility, produced gas from the well will be used a fuel source except during periods of curtailment and startup in which case propane will be used to keep the flare pilot light operational.

The facility has the potential to exceed Title V emission standards for Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs), and Carbon Monoxide (CO). In order to qualify as a Synthetic Minor Source, Venture has opted to take limitations in the form of routing produced gas to the process control flare in order to maintain controlled emissions below Title V thresholds. These thresholds are 100 tons per year (tpy) for VOCs and CO as well as 10 tpy and 25 tpy for individual and aggregate HAPs, respectively.

The staff of the Permit Board has developed this draft permit based on information submitted to the Permit Board by the applicant, appropriate State and Federal agencies and other interested parties. The staff of the Permit Board is soliciting all relative information pertaining to the proposed activity, including public comment, to ensure that the final staff recommendation on the draft permit complies with all State and Federal regulations. Public review and comment on the draft permit and supporting documentation is an important element in the staff evaluation and resulting recommendation to the Permit Board. The draft permit conditions have been developed to ensure compliance with all State and Federal regulations but are subject to change based on information received as a result of public participation.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations are invited to submit comments in writing to Clinton Gentry at the Permit Board's address shown above, no later than the end of the thirty (30) day public notice. All comments received by this date will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application(s). A public hearing will be held if the Permit Board finds a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit(s). Persons wishing to request a public hearing may do so by submitting that request in writing to Clinton Gentry or the Chief of the Environmental Permits Division at the address shown above. The Permit Board is limited in the scope of its analysis to environmental impact. Any comments relative to zoning or economic and social impacts are within the jurisdiction of local zoning and planning authorities and should be addressed to them.

Additional details about the application(s), including a copy of the draft permit(s), are available by writing or calling Lorenzo Boddie at the above Permit Board address and telephone number. Additionally, as a courtesy, for those with Internet access, a copy of the draft permit(s) may be found on the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality’s website at: http://opc.deq.state.ms.us/publicnotice.aspx . This information is also available for review at the following location(s) during normal business hours:

Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality

# Office of Pollution Control

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Jackson, MS 39201

Evon A. Ford Library

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Taylorsville, MS 39168

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of persons whom you know will be interested.