

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Change in Designated Program Permittee</b>
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<b>Program Name:</b>	<b>Operations</b>
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## Background

Under Section 40 of the *Exploration Regulation* (AR 284/2006), the designated program permittee as defined in Section 1(ff) of the *Exploration Regulation* may be changed by giving written notification to the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER).

## Requirements

### Program Permittee

The designated program permittee will:

- Manage the approved exploration program as well as who operates or authorizes the operation of the exploration equipment used in the conduct of the exploration program.
- Be responsible for all field operations for the approved exploration program for which he/she has been designated.

The program permittee's permit number must appear on the following:

- Commencement **and** completion notification to the AER for the approved exploration program (Sections 37 and 38 of the *Exploration Regulation*).
- Commencement **and** completion notification to the appropriate Relevant Land Authority and the holder of a forest management agreement or timber license for the approved exploration program (Sections 37 and 38 of the *Exploration Regulation*).
- Permit tags that are used in the approved exploration program (Section 55 of the *Exploration Regulation*).
- Approved hole plugs used on the approved exploration program (Sections 42, 50 and 51 of the *Exploration Regulation*).

Final plan submission of the approved exploration program (Section 34 of the *Exploration Regulation*).

## **Procedure**

### **Changing the Designated Program Permittee**

If any of the following has occurred, the designated program permittee may be changed **after** the date of commencement, but this must occur **before** shot holes are drilled:

- The parameters of the program have changed and the designated program permittee does not have the capabilities to meet those requirements (e.g., energy source has been changed); or
- The program permittee has had their permit revoked, suspended, cancelled, or it is no longer valid; or other reasons that can be justified and agreed to by the AER. If the program licensee wants the designated program permittee to be changed at any time, the licensee or his/her agent working on behalf of the licensee must submit a written request to AER and identify the reasons for the change.

## **Enforcement/Compliance**

Enforcement policy and procedures are currently under review and this directive will be updated accordingly.

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**Authorities**                      Mines and Minerals Act (Part 8) and Exploration Regulation (AR 284/2006)

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