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OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS MANAGEMENT

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF ALTERNATIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT PRACTICES INSTRUCTIONS (Conventional Operations Only)

The following instructions are designed to assist the applicant in properly completing the *Request for Approval of Alternative Waste Management Practices*, form 8000-FM-OOGM0071. Please type or print clearly when completing the form. If the information requested involves more than the space allows, copy the appropriate page of the form. Label each attachment with applicant's name and the information item it refers to. Use this form to apply for approval of alternative waste management practices under 25 Pa. Code sections 78.56, 78.61, 78.62, or 78.63.

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Provide the requested information that identifies the owner and project site where alternative waste management practices will be provided.

INTENDED ALTERNATIVE PRACTICE

Check the box or boxes corresponding to the alternative waste management practice(s) to be employed.

A. PITS AND TANKS FOR TEMPORARY CONTAINMENT

Operators shall contain pollutional substances and waste from drilling, altering, completing, recompleting, servicing and plugging the well; including brines, drill cuttings, drilling muds, oils, stimulation fluids, well treatment, and servicing fluids, plugging, and drilling fluids other than gases in a pit, tank, or series of pits and tanks in accordance with the requirements in section 78.56(a). Use this form to request use of practices other than those specified in section 78.56(a) that provide equivalent or superior protection.

B. ALTERNATIVE WASTE DISPOSAL PRACTICES

An operator may request to use solidifiers, dusting, unlined pits, attenuation, or other alternative practices for the disposal of uncontaminated drill cuttings in accordance with section 78.61(d). Use this form to request approval for these alternative practices to dispose uncontaminated drill cuttings. The operator must demonstrate that the requested practice provides equivalent or superior protection to the requirements in section 78.61(a)

After the removal and disposal of the liquid fraction of the waste under section 78.60(a), the operator may dispose of residual waste, including contaminated drill cuttings, in a pit or at the well site by land application in accordance with sections 78.62(a) or 78.63(a). Use this form to request use of practices other than those specified in sections 78.62(a) or 78.63(a) that provide equivalent or superior protection.

Complete this form and submit it with all other necessary documentation to the appropriate oil and gas district office. Label each attachment with applicant's name and the information that the item refers.

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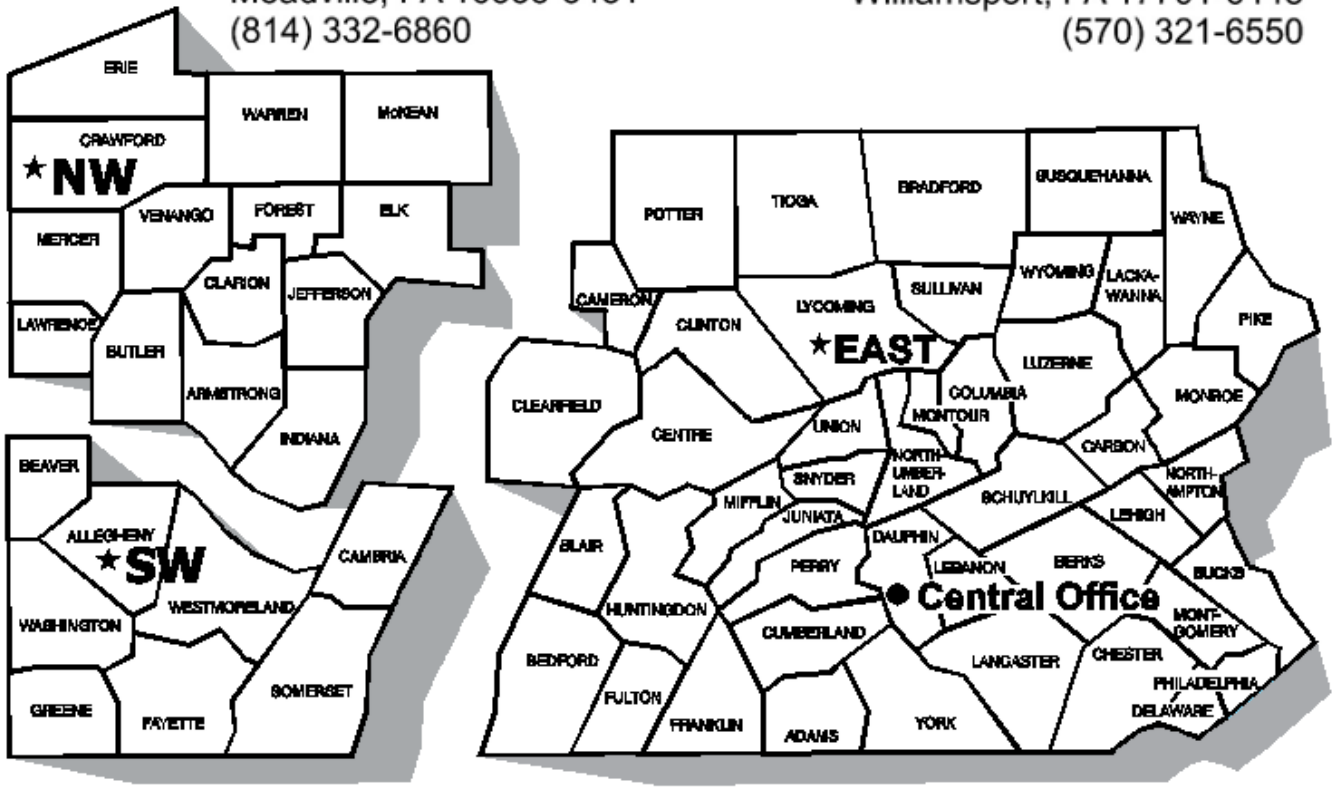

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