DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
BUREAU OF OIL AND GAS MANAGEMENT

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TITLE: Transfer of Oil and Gas Well Permit or Registration

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 31, 1998

AUTHORITY: The Oil and Gas Act (P.L. 1140, No. 223) (58 P.S. Section 601.101 et seq.)
The Administrative Code (P.L. 177, No.175) (71 P.S. Section 510.1 et seq.)
25 Pa. Code Sections 78.13-14

POLICY: DEP will review all applications for transfer of oil and gas well permits or registrations for compliance with applicable statutes and regulations.

APPLICABILITY: These policies apply as guidance for decisions by DEP's oil and gas management program when considering applications for transfer of well drilling permits or registrations from one well operator to another.

PURPOSE: This guidance document provides the Department's interpretation of applicable laws and regulations where necessary detail is absent from the law or regulation.

DISCLAIMER: The policies and procedures outlined in this guidance document are intended to supplement existing requirements. Nothing in the policies or procedures shall affect regulatory requirements.

The policies and procedures herein are not an adjudication or regulation. There is no intent on the part of the Department to give these rules that weight or deference. This document establishes the framework within which DEP will exercise its administrative discretion in the future. DEP reserves the discretion to deviate from this policy statement if circumstances warrant.

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GENERAL:

All applications for transfer of well permits or registrations and all supporting documents will be reviewed for completeness, accuracy, and adherence with applicable statutes and regulations.

ACCEPTANCE OF SIGNATURES:

Signature requirements regarding who may sign an application for transfer on behalf of the applicantare the same as for well drilling permit applications. Refer to Oil and Gas Well Drilling Permits and Related Approvals, Technical Guidance Document ID#
550-2100-003.

A new operator must verify corporate information and legal status by submitting an Oil and Gas Operator's General Information Form (5500-FM-OG0099) along with the application for well transfers. A business entity registered with the state Corporation Bureau must also submit a copy of the current certificate of registration for the business.