

Report on Oil and Gas Field Operations' Violations and Enforcement

CHART 1: OIL AND GAS FIELD OPERATIONS DATA

The data below does not track the identification of a specific violation to enforcement action, as detailed in Chart 3, but rather is time-specific aggregate data.

	FY 2024 Quarter 1	FY 2024 Quarter 2	FY 2024 Quarter 3	FY 2024 Quarter 4	FY 2024 Total
Number of oil and gas inspections performed	114,211	114,584			228,795
Number of oil and gas facility inspections with no violation	106,757	107,131			213,888
Number of statewide rule violations	6,978	6,620			13,598
Number of major statewide rule violations	2	1			3
Number of oil and gas complaints received	93	121			214
Number of oil and gas complaints resolved	117	113			230
Number of pipeline severances/seal orders issued	21,568	21,724			43,292
Number of district-initiated issuance of severance/seal orders	222	194			416
Number of alleged oil and gas violations sent to Office of General Counsel Legal Enforcement	760	528			1,288

CHART 2: OIL AND GAS FIELD OPERATIONS VIOLATIONS BY RULE					
	FY 2024 Quarter 1	FY 2024 Quarter 2	FY 2024 Quarter 3	FY 2024 Quarter 4	FY 2024 Total
Number of alleged oil and gas violations sent to Office of General Counsel Legal Enforcement	760	528	-	-	1,288
Rule Number					
3.1: Organization Report; Retention of Records; Notice Requirements	0	0			0
3.2: Commission Access to Properties	0	0			0
3.3: Identification of Properties, Wells, and Tanks	146	84			230
3.5: Application To Drill, Deepen, Reenter, or Plug Back	5	0			5
3.8: Water Protection	139	103			242
3.9: Disposal Wells	2	4			6
3.13: Casing, Cementing, Drilling, and Completion Requirements	35	14			49
3.14: Plugging	304	225			529
3.15: Surface Equipment Removal Requirements and Inactive Wells	0	1			1
3.16: Log and Completion or Plugging Report	16	1			17
3.17: Pressure on Bradenhead	2	6			8
3.20: Notification of Fire Breaks, Leaks, or Blow-outs	13	5			18
3.21: Fire Prevention and Swabbing	46	43			89
3.22: Protection of Birds	6	2			8
3.26: Separating Devices, Tanks and Surface Commingling of Oil	0	9			9

CHART 2: OIL AND GAS FIELD OPERATIONS VIOLATIONS BY RULE, continued					
	FY 2024 Quarter 1	FY 2024 Quarter 2	FY 2024 Quarter 3	FY 2024 Quarter 4	FY 2024 Total
3.27: Gas To Be Measured and Surface Commingling of Gas	0	0			0
3.32: Gas Well Gas and Casinghead Gas Shall Be Utilized for Legal Purposes	0	0			0
3.36: Oil, Gas, or Geothermal Resource Operation in Hydrogen Sulfide Areas	10	0			10
3.46: Fluid Injection into Productive Reservoirs	16	13			29
3.57 Reclaiming Tank Bottoms, Other Hydrocarbon Wastes, and Other Waste Materials	0	0			0
3.58: Certificate of Compliance and Transportation Authority; Operator Reports	0	0			0
3.73: Pipeline Connection; Cancellation of Certificate of Compliance; Severance	19	9			28
3.81: Brine Mining Injection Wells	0	8			8
3.91: Cleanup of Soil Contaminated by a Crude Oil Spill	0	0			0
3.96 Underground Gas Storage	0	0			0
3.98: Standards for Management of Hazardous Oil and Gas Waste	1	0			1
3.99: Cathodic Protection Well	0	0			0
3.106 Sour Gas Pipeline Facility Construction Permit	0	0			0
4.611: Oil and Gas NORM Prohibited Disposal	0	0			0
TNRC 85.3855: Administrative Penalty	0	0			0
TNRC 91.143: False Applications, Reports, and Documents and Tampering with Gauges	0	1			1

CHART 3: OIL AND GAS ENFORCEMENT AND DOCKET DATA					
The data in Chart 3 does not track the identification of a violation listed in Chart 1 to penalty action. This chart contains time-specific aggregate data. The number of oil and gas enforcement docketed is not necessarily related to the number of violations sent to the Office of General Counsel for docketing in the same time period. Additionally, each docket may contain multiple violations.					
	FY 2024 Quarter 1	FY 2024 Quarter 2	FY 2024 Quarter 3	FY 2024 Quarter 4	FY 2024 Total
Number of oil and gas enforcement docketed	105	111			216
Number of repeat oil and gas violators based on a seven-year look back of docketed cases	30	36			66
Amount of final oil and gas enforcement penalties assessed	\$ 1,906,428	\$ 1,109,643			\$3,016,071