

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA  
REGULATION OF THE BOARD OF THE OIL AND GAS COMMISSION

*Oil and Gas Activities Act*

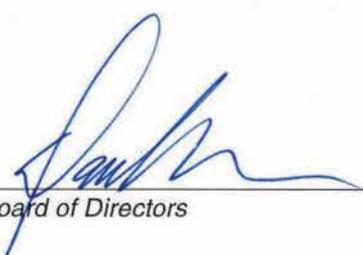
The Board of the Oil and Gas Commission orders that the Pipeline Regulation, B.C. Reg. 281/2010, is amended as set out in the attached Schedule.

**DEPOSITED**  
March 9, 2020  
B.C. REG. 54/2020

Date

*March 9 / 2020*

Chair, Board of Directors



*(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)*

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section: *Oil and Gas Activities Act*, S.B.C. 2008, c. 36, s. 111

Other:

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## SCHEDULE

- 1 *Section 3 (1) of the Pipeline Regulation, B.C. Reg. 281/2010, is amended by striking out “design, construct, operate or maintain any of the following except in accordance with CSA Z662” and substituting “design, construct, operate, maintain, deactivate, reactivate or abandon any of the following except in accordance with CSA Z662 and Annex A of CSA Z662”.*
- 2 *Section 4 (2) is repealed and the following substituted:*
  - (2) Within 60 days after a pipeline permit holder completes construction of the pipeline and all associated activities, the holder must prepare and submit to the commission post-construction plot plans showing the location of the pipeline and all associated oil and gas activities.
  - (3) Within 90 days after a pipeline permit holder completes construction of or any permitted modifications to the pipeline, the holder must
    - (a) prepare record drawings,
    - (b) have the record drawings signed and sealed by a professional engineer who is licensed or registered under the *Engineers and Geoscientists Act*, and
    - (c) submit to the commission
      - (i) the record drawings, and
      - (ii) the pipe and component specifications.
- 3 *Section 5 is amended by adding the following subsection:*
  - (4) A pipeline permit holder must ensure that, after the pipeline is constructed, the right of way is kept free of garbage, debris and derelict equipment.
- 4 *Section 7 is repealed and the following substituted:*

### **Integrity management and damage prevention programs**

- 7 (1) In this section:
  - “**damage prevention program**” means the program referred to in subsection (3);
  - “**pipeline integrity management program**” means the program referred to in subsection (2).
- (2) A pipeline permit holder must not construct a pipeline approved by the permit unless the holder has first prepared a pipeline integrity management program
  - (a) for the construction, operation, maintenance, repair, deactivation and abandonment of the pipeline, and
  - (b) that complies with CSA Z662.
- (3) A pipeline permit holder must not operate a pipeline approved by the permit unless the holder has first prepared a damage prevention program for the purpose of anticipating and preventing damage to the permit holder’s pipeline.

- (4) A pipeline permit holder must not operate a pipeline approved by the permit unless the pipeline is operated in accordance with the pipeline integrity management program and the damage prevention program.
- (5) A pipeline permit holder must not construct, operate, maintain, repair, deactivate or abandon a pipeline approved by the permit, unless
  - (a) the entirety of the pipeline is above ground, or
  - (b) the holder is a member of BC One Call and the holder's records with BC One Call are current.
- (6) On the request of an official, a pipeline permit holder must make the following available to the commission as requested:
  - (a) a copy of the pipeline integrity management program;
  - (b) a description of the damage prevention program.

**5 Sections 9 to 11 are repealed and the following substituted:**

**Deactivation**

- 9**
- (1) For the purposes of this section, a permit holder's permitted pipeline is deemed to be inactive if
    - (a) the pipeline permit holder has not transported fluids through the holder's permitted pipeline or part of that pipeline for 18 consecutive months, or
    - (b) more than 18 months have passed since construction of the holder's permitted pipeline was completed and the pipeline permit holder has not begun to transport fluids through that pipeline or part of that pipeline.
  - (2) Subject to subsection (3), within 18 months after the date on which a permit holder's permitted pipeline is deemed to be inactive, the pipeline permit holder must
    - (a) deactivate the pipeline or part of the pipeline, and
    - (b) notify the commission on completion of the deactivation.
  - (3) Subsection (2) does not apply if, before the end of the 18 month period, the commission receives from the pipeline permit holder, and approves, one of the following:
    - (a) a plan for resuming or commencing the transportation of fluids through the pipeline, as applicable;
    - (b) a plan to complete deactivation after the end of the 18 month period.
  - (4) A pipeline permit holder must implement a plan approved under subsection (3).

**Reactivation**

- 10**
- (1) Before reactivating a pipeline, the pipeline permit holder must notify the commission of the intention to carry out the reactivation.
  - (2) For greater certainty, if a permit relating to a deactivated pipeline has been suspended, the pipeline may not be reactivated unless the suspension is rescinded.

**Obligations on cancellation or cessation of operations**

- 11** (1) For the purposes of section 40 (e) of the Act, a pipeline permit holder, a former pipeline permit holder, a pipeline authorization holder or a former pipeline authorization holder, as the case may be, must abandon the pipeline.
- (2) A pipeline permit holder who intends to abandon a pipeline on Crown land must do everything referred to in section 19 (1) of the Environmental Protection and Management Regulation.