

Operator Well Inventory Project Begins Jan. 1st

Beginning January 1, 2010, the **Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC)** will require all operators to provide a complete well inventory listing of all unplugged wells of any kind operated in Kansas, including but not limited to: oil, gas, injection, saltwater disposal, cathodic protection, and gas storage wells.

The purpose of the well inventory is to gather comprehensive and timely data to populate the KCC database that will assist the KCC in regulating the Kansas oil and gas industry, and providing effective service to both industry and the public. The KCC is authorized, and has a duty, to collect this data pursuant to K.S.A. 55-165. Each operator's well inventory must be submitted with the operator's license renewal.

The major consequence of failing to submit a well inventory would be a potential delay in the issuance or renewal of an operator's license. It should be noted the intentional falsification of a well inventory could result in a monetary penalty pursuant to KCC regulations.

Due to the large amount of data involved, operator's well inventories will be submitted over the next three (3) years. The Well Inventory Form, named the OWI-1, plus is available at the KCC Conservation Division central office, all district offices. Questions and answers and instructions can also be found on the web at: www.kcc.ks.gov/conservation/wi_faq.htm.

Operators may file their well inventories 1) through SOLAR, after becoming a certified USER, or 2) by a typed paper filing, mailed to the Kansas Corporation Commission, Conservation Division, at Finney State Office Building, 130 S. Market, Room 2078, Wichita, KS 67202-3802. Instructions on how to sign up for SOLAR are available on the web at: <https://solar.kgs.ku.edu>.