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1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the *Petroleum and Gas (General Provisions) (Reporting Requirements) Amendment Regulation 2020*.

2 Commencement

This regulation commences on 1 October 2020.

3 Regulation amended

This regulation amends the *Petroleum and Gas (General Provisions) Regulation 2017*.

4 Amendment of s 18 (Meaning of *general area information*)

Section 18(b) to (e)—

omit, insert—

- (b) spatial information showing the leads and prospects in the relinquished area or surrendered area;
- (c) any other data or information for the report required under the practice direction.

5 Replacement of s 19 (Meaning of *hazard information*)

Section 19—

omit, insert—

19 Meaning of *hazard information*

In this division, *hazard information* for a relinquishment report or surrender report for a petroleum tenure means the following information for a hazard relating to activities carried out under the tenure—

- (a) the nature of the hazard;

omit.

- (2) Section 22(2)(g), after ‘on the results’—

insert—

, including any identified leads and prospects

- (3) Section 22(2)(g) to (k)—

renumber as section 22(2)(e) to (g).

- (4) Section 22(2)—

insert—

- (h) any other data or information for the report required under the practice direction.

9 Amendment of s 23 (Petroleum lease—surrender report)

- (1) Section 23(a) to (g) and (i)—

omit.

- (2) Section 23(h) to (m)—

renumber as section 23(a) to (e).

- (3) Section 23—

insert—

- (f) any other data or information for the report required under the practice direction.

10 Amendment of s 24 (Pipeline licence—surrender report)

Section 24—

insert—

- (d) details of all maintenance carried out on the pipeline during the term of the licence;
- (e) the hazard information for the licence;
- (f) any other data or information for the report required under the practice direction.

11 Amendment of s 26 (End of authority report)

Section 26(b)—

omit, insert—

- (b) spatial information about each authorised activity carried out under the authority or licence;
- (c) any other data or information for the report required under the practice direction.

12 Amendment of s 35 (Daily drilling report)

Section 35(4)—

insert—

- (q) any other data or information for the report required under the practice direction.

13 Amendment of s 36 (Petroleum well or bore completion report)

(1) Section 36(2), ‘6 months’—

omit, insert—

12 months

(2) Section 36(3)(d)—

omit, insert—

- (d) a summary of the well or bore including the information for the well or bore required under the practice direction;

(3) Section 36(3)(f), (s), (t) and (u)—

omit.

(4) Section 36(3)(n)—

omit, insert—

- (n) the type of any perforations in the well or bore, the depth in metres of the top and

bottom of the perforated intervals and the perforation spacing in metres;

(5) Section 36(3)(p)—

omit, insert—

- (p) a description of all tests or surveys carried out in the well or bore, the depth in metres where each test was carried out and the distance in metres between the top and bottom of each testing interval;

(6) Section 36(3)(g) to (v)—

renumber as section 36(3)(f) to (r).

(7) Section 36(3)—

insert—

- (s) any other data or information for the report required under the practice direction.

14 **Amendment of s 37 (Petroleum well or bore abandonment report)**

(1) Section 37(3), ‘2 months’—

omit, insert—

6 months

(2) Section 37(4)—

omit, insert—

- (4) The report must contain the following information—
- (a) the type and number of the tenure or authority;
 - (b) the identifying name of the well or bore;
 - (c) the name of the author of the report;
 - (d) the name of the tenure or authority holder;
 - (e) the name of the operator of the well or bore;

- (f) a summary of the well or bore including the information for the well or bore required under the practice direction;
- (g) the following information in relation to the completion or abandonment of the well or bore—
 - (i) a full description of all equipment, including prescribed equipment, left in the well or bore, including the size and nature of the equipment and any features of the equipment that may cause a hazard to coal mining operations;
Example of features that may cause a hazard to coal mining operations—
 - aluminium, electronics or batteries
 - (ii) the surveyed location of any prescribed equipment;
 - (iii) the method of the cementing operations carried out in or on the well or bore, including the location and type of plugs, the intervals covered by the operations, the volume and type of cement used, any losses of cement due to voids or permeable strata, and the methods used to overcome losses of cement;
 - (iv) the method, materials and volume of cement used to cement voids;
 - (v) a description of procedures or activities undertaken for abandonment of the well or bore;
- (h) any other data or information for the report required under the practice direction.

(3) Section 37(5) and (6)—

omit.

- (4) Section 37(7), definition *prescribed equipment*—
omit, insert—

prescribed equipment means—

- (a) metal equipment, other than casing; and
- (b) other equipment that may create a hazard to coal mining operations.

Examples of metal equipment—

drilling equipment and geophysical logging tools

- (5) Section 37(7)—
renumber as section 37(5).

15 Amendment of s 38 (Seismic survey reports)

- (1) Section 38(2)—
omit, insert—

- (2) The tenure holder must lodge a seismic survey report within—
 - (a) for a survey mentioned subsection (1)(a) or (b)—2 years after the completion day for the survey; or
 - (b) if the tenure holder reprocesses raw data obtained as mentioned in subsection (1)(c)—2 years after the day the reprocessing is completed.

- (2) Section 38(3)(b) to (k)—
omit, insert—

- (b) the objectives of the survey;
- (c) the activities carried out for the survey, including, for example, details of the seismic lines used and the days on which the activities were carried out;
- (d) a description of each method used to acquire raw data, including—

- (i) the equipment used for positioning, surveying, navigation or other purposes; and
 - (ii) the techniques and equipment used for recording and testing the data;
 - (e) a description of how the raw data was processed or reprocessed;
 - (f) an evaluation of the processed or reprocessed data;
 - (g) any other data or information for the report required under the practice direction.
- (3) Section 38(4)(a)(v)—
omit.
- (4) Section 38(4)—
insert—
- (c) spatial information showing the location of the seismic lines used for the survey.
- (5) Section 38(5)—
omit.

16 Amendment of s 39 (Scientific or technical survey report)

- (1) Section 39(2)—
omit, insert—
- (2) The tenure holder must lodge a scientific or technical survey report within—
 - (a) for a survey mentioned subsection (1)(a) or (b)—2 years after the completion day for the survey; or
 - (b) if the tenure holder reprocesses raw data as mentioned in subsection (1)(c)—2 years after the day the reprocessing is completed.
- (2) Section 39(3)(b), (d) and (e)—

omit.

(3) Section 39(3)—

insert—

(k) any other data or information for the report required under the practice direction.

(4) Section 39(3)(c) to (k)—

renumber as section 39(3)(b) to (h).

17 Replacement of s 41 (How particular volumes must be stated in reports)

Section 41—

omit, insert—

41 How particular measurements must be stated in reports

- (1) This section applies if this subdivision requires a measurement to be stated in a report.
- (2) The measurement of a volume or mass must be stated in—
 - (a) for water—megalitres; or
 - (b) for gas—million cubic metres (Mm³); or
 - (c) for LPG—kilotonnes; or
 - (d) for crude oil or condensate—million barrels (also known as MMbbl).
- (3) The measurement of energy must be stated in—
 - (a) for petroleum, a prescribed storage gas or substance prescribed under the 2004 Act, section 402(1), including coal seam gas—petajoules; or
 - (b) for crude oil or condensate—energy of oil in million barrels of oil equivalent (also known as MMBOE).
- (4) The measurement of a depth, length or other

distance must be stated in metres.

18 Amendment of s 42 (Petroleum production report)

(1) Section 42(2), ‘40 business days’—

omit, insert—

60 business days

(2) Section 42(3)(b) and (c)—

omit, insert—

(b) an identification of each production interval or geological unit from which first-produced petroleum is produced under the lease during the 6-month period;

(c) the volume of each of the following produced under the lease during the 6-month period—

(i) each petroleum product derived from first-produced petroleum;

(ii) first-produced petroleum that was flared or vented in a gaseous state;

(iii) first-produced petroleum that was used to produce other petroleum;

(3) Section 42(3)(f)—

omit, insert—

(f) for each petroleum well drilled for the purpose of producing coal seam gas within the area of the lease—the volume, or an estimate of the volume, of associated water taken from the well under the lease during the 6-month period;

(g) if a petroleum well within the area of the lease changes after a report for the well is lodged under section 36—details of the casing and equipment installed in the well

and a diagram showing the location of the casing and equipment;

- (h) any other data or information for the report required under the practice direction.

- (4) Section 42(4)—

insert—

first-produced petroleum means petroleum extracted from a natural reservoir, other than petroleum that is stored, in a natural reservoir or otherwise, and later re-extracted.

19 Amendment of s 43 (Petroleum reserves report)

- (1) Section 43, heading, after ‘Petroleum’—

insert—

resources and

- (2) Section 43(1) to (3)—

omit, insert—

- (1) A petroleum tenure holder must lodge a petroleum resources and reserves report for the tenure for each calendar year.
- (2) The report must be lodged within 60 business days after the calendar year ends.

- (3) Section 43(4)(b) and (c)—

omit, insert—

- (b) an identification of each natural underground reservoir in which there were, during the period, any 2C contingent resources, 1P reserves, 2P reserves or 3P reserves under the PRMS;
- (c) the amount of any 2C contingent resources, 1P reserves, 2P reserves or 3P reserves under the PRMS within the area of the

tenure worked out on the last day of the period;

- (d) details of project maturity subclasses for any 2P reserves or 2C contingent resources under the PRMS that relate to the tenure worked out on the last day of the period;
- (e) any change not less than 10% for any 2P reserves under the PRMS within the area of the tenure at field-level or basin-level that occurred during the period;
- (f) any other data or information for the report required under the practice direction.

(4) Section 43—

insert—

(5) In this section—

PRMS means the document called ‘Petroleum Resources Management System’, also referred to as the SPE Code, published in 2018 by the Society of Petroleum Engineers.

project maturity subclass means a sub-classification of activities for a project mentioned in the PRMS, part 2.1.3.5.

(5) Section 43(4) and (5)—

renumber as section 43(3) and (4).

20 Amendment of s 44 (Production testing report)

(1) Section 44(3), ‘40 business days’—

omit, insert—

60 business days

(2) Section 44(4)—

insert—

- (k) data in relation to samples, and the analysis of the samples, taken from the area of the tenure;
- (l) any other data or information for the report required under the practice direction.

21 Amendment of s 45 (Hydraulic fracturing activities completion report)

- (1) Section 45(2), ‘2 months’—

omit, insert—

6 months

- (2) Section 45(3)—

insert—

- (n) any other data or information for the report required under the practice direction.

22 Replacement of s 52 (Confidentiality of required information for petroleum tenure holders)

Section 52—

omit, insert—

52 Confidentiality periods for required information for petroleum tenures

- (1) This section prescribes, for the 2004 Act, section 550(1) and the 1923 Act, section 76D(1), the confidentiality period for the required information stated in schedule 1, column 1.
- (2) The confidentiality period for the required information starts on the day the information is lodged and ends on the day stated in schedule 1, column 2 opposite the required information.
- (3) However, there is no confidentiality period for a petroleum well or bore abandonment report under section 37 if—

- (a) the report is to be made available to a person under the 2004 Act, section 550(1)(b) or the 1923 Act, section 76D(1)(b); and
 - (b) the person is the holder of a coal or oil shale mining tenement; and
 - (c) the well or bore was drilled in the area of the person's petroleum tenure.
- (4) Also, there is no confidentiality period for required information not mentioned in subsection (2).

23 Amendment of s 56 (Requirements for reporting the taking of non-associated water)

Section 56(3), from 'Reporting' to 'System'—

omit, insert—

Reporting must be lodged by the holder under this section

24 Replacement of pt 6, hdg (Measurement)

Part 6, heading—

omit, insert—

Part 6 Metering parameters

25 Replacement of pt 9, hdg (Transitional provision)

Part 9, heading—

omit, insert—

Part 9 Transitional provision for SL No. 162 of 2017

26 Insertion of new pt 10

After section 75—

insert—

Part 10

Transitional provisions for Petroleum and Gas (General Provisions) (Reporting Requirements) Amendment Regulation 2020

76 Time for lodgement of reports

- (1) This section applies if a person would, other than for this section, be required to lodge a report under a relevant section on or after the commencement but before 30 June 2021.
- (2) The day the person is required to lodge the report under the relevant section is taken to be 30 June 2021.
- (3) In this section—
relevant section means section 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 36, 37, 38, 39, 42, 43, 44 or 45.

77 Required information lodged before commencement

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) before the commencement, required information for a petroleum tenure was lodged under the 2004 Act or the 1923 Act; and
 - (b) on the commencement, the required information has not been publicly released under the 2004 Act, section 550 or the 1923 Act, section 76D.
- (2) On the commencement, schedule 1 as amended

by the *Petroleum and Gas (General Provisions) (Reporting Requirements) Amendment Regulation 2020*, applies in relation to the required information.

27 Replacement of sch 1 (Confidentiality periods for required information)

Schedule 1—

omit, insert—

Schedule 1 Confidentiality periods for required information

section 52

Required information	End day
an annual report required to be lodged under the 2004 Act, section 552	5 years after the last day of the period to which the report relates
a petroleum well or bore completion report—	
(a) for an appraisal well, exploration well or bore	3 years after the rig release day
(b) for a development well	5 years after the rig release day
a petroleum well or bore abandonment report—	
(a) for an appraisal well, exploration well or bore	3 years after the rig release day
(b) for a development well	5 years after the rig release day

Required information	End day
a seismic survey report for a survey required to be lodged under section 38	3 years after the completion day
a scientific or technical survey report required to be lodged under section 39	3 years after the completion day
a petroleum production report required to be lodged under section 42	6 months after the last day of the period to which the report relates
a petroleum resources and reserves report required to be lodged under section 43	6 months after the last day of the period to which the report relates
<p>a production testing report required to be lodged under section 44—</p> <p>(a) for an authority to prospect</p> <p>(b) for a petroleum lease</p>	<p>3 years after the last day of the relevant testing period under section 44</p> <p>5 years after the last day of the relevant testing period under section 44</p>
<p>a cutting sample, core or fluid sample required to be lodged under the 2004 Act, section 548 or the 1923 Act, section 76B—</p> <p>(a) for an appraisal well or exploration well</p> <p>(b) for a development well</p> <p><i>Note—</i></p> <p>See also sections 49, 50 and 51.</p>	<p>2 years after the day on which the part of the sample or core is required to be lodged</p> <p>5 years after the day on which the part of the sample or core is required to be lodged</p>

Required information	End day
a hydraulic fracturing activities completion report required to be lodged under section 45	5 years after the day on which the activity was completed

28 Amendment of sch 5 (Dictionary)

- (1) Schedule 5—

insert—

practice direction means the practice direction called ‘Petroleum and Gas reporting practice direction’ stated in the practice manual kept under the Common Provisions Act, section 202.

- (2) Schedule 5, definition *proved and probable reserves*, from ‘(and’ to ‘2007’—

omit, insert—

, also referred to as the SPE Code, published in 2018

ENDNOTES

- 1 Made by the Governor in Council on 17 September 2020.
- 2 Notified on the Queensland legislation website on 18 September 2020.
- 3 The administering agency is the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy.

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