



## BLANKET BOND WAIVER

Act 96 of 2022 (P.L. 1622, No. 96) revised Section 3225 of the 2012 Oil & Gas Act, 58 Pa. C.S. § 3225 to provide for additional blanket bond liability of \$1,000.00 for every new well that is not an unconventional well drilled in the Commonwealth, up to a maximum of \$100,000.00 per operator. 58 Pa. C.S. § 3225(a)(2)(ii)(B)-(C). The \$1,000.00 blanket bond increase shall be waived for a new well drilled if an operator provides evidence to the Department of Environmental Protection ("Department") that it has plugged an Orphan Well (as defined in 58 Pa. C.S. § 3203) at the 11/13/2023 operator's own expense for which the operator was not the responsible party, within the previous 365 days, that the operator has not yet received credit for by the Department. 58 Pa. C.S. § 3225(a)(2)(ii)(D). This request for bond waiver shall be submitted to the Department for review and approval prior to the commencement of drilling a new well.

**Have you plugged an Orphan Well within the previous 365 days at your own expense for which you were not the responsible party?**

Yes – Please complete and submit this form to the appropriate district Oil & Gas office.

No – You are not eligible for a blanket bond liability waiver.

<b>DEP USE ONLY</b>
Auth. No.:

Operator Information		New Well Information	
Operator Name		OGO No.	U.S. Well API No. (if known) 37- -
Address		Date Drilled (if known)	
City		Well Farm Name (if known)	
Telephone No.		Well No. (if known)	Well Serial No. (if known)
State	Zip code	Fax No.	County (if known)
Email		Latitude (DD) (if known)	Municipality (if known)
			Longitude (DD) (if known) -

Orphan Well Information		
U.S. Well API No. 37- -	Date Abandoned (if known)	<b>Checklist and additional attached information</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Well Location Plat of new well (if available) <input type="checkbox"/> Location Map of Orphan Well <input type="checkbox"/> Date of Plugging Orphan Well _____ <input type="checkbox"/> DEP approved "Certificate of Well Plugging" of Orphan Well (form 8000-FM-OOGM0006) <input type="checkbox"/> Receipts from plugging Orphan Well and/or other proof that this Orphan Well was plugged at your own expense within the previous 365 days, and you were not the responsible party.
Well Farm Name		
Well No.	Well Serial No.	
County	Municipality	
Latitude (DD)	Longitude (DD) -	

**Signature of Applicant (Operator or Agent)**

I hereby certify, under penalty of law, as provided in 18 Pa. C.S.A. § 4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities), that the above information is true, accurate, and complete. I certify that this Orphan Well was plugged within the previous 365 days at my own expense, I was not the responsible party for this well, and I have not yet received credit for plugging the well from the Department under the 2012 Oil and Gas Act, 58 Pa. C.S. § 3225.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print or Type Signer's Name & Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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Waiver reviewed by:	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Approved</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Denied</b>
DEP Rep (Signature): _____	Date: _____
(Print Name): _____	