

1/26/14

Had a long conversation with Diana Burr of the COGCC office in Denver. Explained to her the history of the gas well. After that conversation she agreed that the well qualified for the Abandoned well fund

And she would put on their list to have it plugged. We will have to forfeit the \$5000.00 cash bond toward the abandonment. It may take as long as two years before it happens. She said the plugging of a well generally costs in the neighborhood of \$35-45 000.  
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| Operator Name           | COGCC Operator Number | API State Code | API County Code | API Sequence Number | Well Name and Number | QRCR | Section | Range     | Latitude    | Longitude | POOP | GPS Date | GPS Operator | Comment | Status | Status Date |
| MACKEY, ARNOLD & DARLEN | 1004305               | 045            | 05076           | ED T. BERNKLAU 1    | NWSW                 | 3465 | 9NW     | 39.480484 | -107.879172 |           |      |          |              | Missing | DM     | 7/24/61     |

SENT MAY 7, 2014

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Mackley - Spruce Creek Ranch sprucecreekranch@aol.com

To: diana.burn@state.co.us, dennis.ahlstrand@state.co.us,

Subject: Re: Missing As-Built's Second Notice

Workbook1\_-\_ED.\_T.\_Bernklau\_...xlsx (9 KB)

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Dear Diana and Dennis,

We are writing in response to the below email that we have just received from you. This concerns us because we have had two telephone conversations with Diana regarding this well. The first conversation was on January 16, 2014 and the second conversation was on April 21, 2014. We sent a letter dated April 21st, 2014 which was attached to the "Domestic Well Questionnaire" that addressed all of the conversations that we had with Diana regarding our concerns about this well, primarily making sure it is listed on the Commission's "Orphaned Well" list. During both of our conversations with Diana she assured us it would be put on the list, although there would be a waiting period before any work would begin on shutting in the well. We can forward this letter again to you if requested. We have filled out the form you attached to the below email with data that we found on the COGIS website regarding the longitude and latitude of the Ed T. Bernklau well API # 05-045-05076. We have no other way to verify the longitude and latitude of this well but we assume that the information listed on the COGIS website is correct.

We kindly ask that you update your records as we have been in touch with your office regarding this well, and we have tried to fill out your forms that you have sent us because we believe that it is important to be in compliance. We feel that we have done that.

We ask that you call us at 970-625-1641 to make sure that you have received our information and that you are satisfied that it fulfills your requirements.

Respectfully,

Arnold and Darleen Mackley

-----Original Message-----  
From: Diana Burn <diana.burn@state.co.us>  
To: sprucecreekranch <sprucecreekranch@aol.com>  
Sent: Wed, May 7, 2014 10:11 am  
Subject: Missing As-Built's Second Notice

May 7, 2014

To Arnold & Darleen Mackley:

Original  
Mailed  
4/23/14

Arnold and E. Darleen Mackley  
4031 County Road 320  
Rifle, CO 81650  
(970)625-1641

April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014

Diana Burn  
Eastern Engineering Supervisor  
State of Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
Department of Natural Resources  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite #801  
Denver, Colorado 80203

Dear Diana,

We are writing to recap our conversations that we had with you on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014 and April 21<sup>st</sup> 2014. In both conversations I described to you the history of the gas well on our property, which is also well documented in your file. This well was drilled in 1961, and called the ED. T. BERNKLAU #1 (API No. 05-045-05076) however when it was drilled the property was then owned by Marie H. Bernklau, a widow.

In both of our conversations you stated that this well would be placed on the "Orphan Well" list to be plugged in the future. You also stated that we would have to relinquish the \$5000.00 bond that we have had posted with the Commission. We agreed that relinquishing it, would not be a problem. We have been concerned for years that this well had not been placed on the list, as several attempts have been made by us to make the Commission aware of its existence. We are relieved to know that it is now definitely going to be placed on the "Orphan Well" list and be plugged. We understand that it may take a couple of years until it can be scheduled.

We ask that this letter also be added to the ED. T. BERNKLAU #1 (API No. 05-045-05076) file as a record.

Thank you Diana for your assistance with this, we appreciate it.

Respectfully,

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Arnold and E. Darleen Mackley

Amount (estimate) \_\_\_\_\_ Tank \_\_\_\_\_ Earthen Pit \_\_\_\_\_

- 12) Have you ever performed any maintenance on the casing or wellbore? What type of maintenance, and when was it performed?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No ☒ Date Maintenance Performed \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance \_\_\_\_\_

- 13) Are you aware of any current well casing, wellhead, or equipment leaks associated with the well? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No ☒

- 14) Has any bubbling, stained soil, or stressed vegetation been observed near the domestic gas well? *I AM NOT AN EXPERT* Yes ☒ No ☒

- 15) Is a domestic water well, stream or irrigation ditch/canal located within 1/2 mile of the domestic gas well? How far away? Has any bubbling or have any unusual odors been observed in water from the domestic water well?

Near Water Well/Stream/Irrigation Ditch/Canal

Yes ☒ No \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate Distance to Water Well 150 yds

Bubbling/Odors

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No ☒

- 16) Is the well currently accessible by vehicle (passable roads, <sup>no</sup> locked gates)? Yes ☒ No \_\_\_\_\_

17) *The commission is welcome to inspect the well.*

Thank you for your participation.

# DOMESTIC WELL QUESTIONNAIRE

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| Name of Person Completing Questionnaire (Print)<br><u>Arnold L. Mackley</u> | (Signature)<br><u>Arnold L. Mackley</u> |
| Date<br><u>4/21/14</u>  |   |
| Contact Information   |   |
| Street <u>4031 County Road 320</u>  |   |
| City <u>Rifle,</u>  |   |
| State <u>CO</u>   |   |
| Zip <u>81650</u>  |   |
| Phone <u>(970) 625-1641</u>   |   |
| Email <u>SPRUCE CREEK RANCH @ AOL.COM</u>                                   |   |

Please complete both pages to the best of your knowledge and return in the return envelope provided:

- 1) Are you the registered owner/operator of the well? Yes X No
- 2) Is there a Designated Agent reporting on your behalf? Yes     No X
- 3) Are you clearly aware of your liabilities regarding this well under COGCC Rules? Yes     No X
- 4) Are you currently using the gas from this well? Yes     No X
- 5) How many homes, buildings and/or tenants use gas from this well? N/A
- 6) If the well is not producing gas, when was it used last? 2007
- 7) What is the gas used for (home, outbuildings, irrigation engine, etc.)? N/A
- 8) If in current use, does well adequately provide gas for intended use or must it be allowed to build pressure/volume between uses? N/A
- 9) If well must be allowed buildup time, approximately how long is that period? N/A
- 10) Is the gas dry or must liquids be removed? How often?  
Dry N/A Liquids Removed N/A
- 11) If liquids are removed from gas, approximately how much fluid does that amount to and what is done with that liquid (hauled off, allowed to evaporate....)? Is the liquid stored in a tank or an earthen pit?