

BULLETIN

Date	Subject	Notice
February 12, 2020	Amendments to <i>The Oil and Gas Conservation Act</i> and <i>The Oil and Gas Emissions Management Regulations</i>	BT2020-02

Please be advised of the recent legislative and regulatory changes in support of *Prairie Resilience: A Made-in-Saskatchewan Climate Change Strategy*:

- Part VII.1 of *The Oil and Gas Conservation Act* (OGCA) has been proclaimed and is now in force as of February 12, 2020. Proclamation of this Part most notably:
 - enables the Lieutenant Government in Council to designate a regulation as a greenhouse gas (GHG) emission regulation for the purposes of OGCA;
 - allows administrative penalties collected under a GHG emission regulation to be paid to any prescribed fund established pursuant to an Act that may be used for the purposes of reducing or managing the emissions of GHG; and
 - gives effect to other amendments that are necessary to achieve an agreement with Environment and Climate Change Canada on the regulation of GHG emissions in Saskatchewan.

The revised OGCA can be found at: [O-2 – The Oil and Gas Conservation Act](#)

In connection to the above, amendments to *The Oil and Gas Emissions Management Regulations* (OGEMR) also came into force on February 12, 2020. These new amendments include:

- designating OGEMR as a GHG emission regulation under OGCA;
- allowing penalties assessed under OGEMR to be directed to the Saskatchewan Technology Fund for purposes of advancing emissions reduction within the oil and gas industry; and
- confirming *Directive PNG036: Venting and Flaring Requirements* is a directive supporting the administration of OGEMR.

The revised OGEMR can be found at: [O-2 Reg 7 – The Oil and Gas Emissions Management Regulations](#)

Please ensure your organization is aware of the regulatory amendments.

Questions?

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