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SUBCHAPTER 05H – OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION	SECTION .0100 – TERMS OF REFERENCE	15A NCAC 05H .0101	PURPOSE AND SCOPE	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0102	TERMS OF REFERENCE AND DEFINITIONS	Amended Eff. September 1, 2022	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .0200 – ADMINISTRATIVE RULES	15A NCAC 05H .0201	FORMS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0202	RECORD KEEPING & REPORTING	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0203	INSPECTIONS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .0300 - VARIANCES	15A NCAC 05H .0301	VARIANCE PROCEDURES	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .0400 – DECLARATORY RULING	15A NCAC 05H .0401	PROCEDURE FOR SUBMISSION OF PETITION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0402	DISPOSITION OF PETITION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .0500 – PETITION FOR RULEMAKING	15A NCAC 05H .0501	FORM AND CONTENTS OF PETITION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0502	REVIEW BY A COMMITTEE OF THE COMMISSION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0503	PRESENTATION TO THE COMMISSION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0504	RECOURSE FOR DENIAL OF PETITION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .0600 – RULEMAKING HEARINGS	15A NCAC 05H .0601	PURPOSE AND SCOPE	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0602	PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT FOR RULEMAKING HEARINGS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0603	REQUIREMENTS OF RULEMAKING HEARING OFFICER OR PANEL	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	

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	SECTION .0700 – HEARINGS FOR DRILLING UNITS, VARIANCES, AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION	15A NCAC 05H .0701	OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0702	PARTIES	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0703	PROCEDURE FOR SUBMISSION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0704	COMPLETENESS AND REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0705	ORDER AND RECORD OF PROCEEDING	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0706	ADMINISTRATIVE AND JUDICIAL REVIEW OF COMMISSION DECISION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0707	FORM AND CONTENTS OF REQUEST TO MAINTAIN CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0708	DISPOSITION OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION REQUEST	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0709	NOTICE TO THE COMMISSION OF CHANGES TO CONFIDENTIAL STATUS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .0800 – PREEMPTION HEARING PROCEDURE	15A NCAC 05H .0801	PURPOSE AND SCOPE	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0802	COMMENCEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0803	NOTICE OF PROCEEDING	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	

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		15A NCAC 05H .0804	NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0805	CONDUCT OF THE HEARING	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0806	WITNESSES	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .0807	COMMISSION'S DECISION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .0900 - ENFORCEMENT	15A NCAC 05H .0901	ENFORCEMENT	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .1000 – CIVIL PENALTIES	15A NCAC 05H .1001	PURPOSE AND SCOPE	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1002	NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1003	PAYMENT OF ASSESSMENT	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1004	ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1005	REPORT TO THE COMMISSION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .1100 – EXPLORATION AND GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS	15A NCAC 05H .1101	EXPLORATION AND GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .1200 – DRILLING UNITS AND WELL SPACING	15A NCAC 05H .1201	PURPOSE AND SCOPE	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1202	DRILLING UNIT APPLICATION AND REVIEW	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1203	DRILLING UNIT PUBLIC NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	

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		15A NCAC 05H .1204	DENIAL OR MODIFICATION OF DRILLING UNIT APPLICATION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1205	WELL SPACING REQUIREMENTS FOR RESOURCES IN UNCONVENTIONAL RESERVOIRS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1206	WELL SPACING REQUIREMENTS FOR RESOURCES IN CONVENTIONAL RESERVOIRS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .1300 - PERMITTING	15A NCAC 05H .1301	PURPOSE AND SCOPE	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1302	OIL OR GAS OPERATIONS FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OWNERSHIP	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1303	OIL OR GAS WELL PERMIT APPLICATION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1304	CONTENTS OF OIL OR GAS WELL PERMIT APPLICATION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1305	EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1306	FEES	Amended Eff. September 1, 2022	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1307	APPLICATION REVIEW PROCESS	Amended Eff. September 1, 2022	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1308	PERMIT CONDITIONS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1309	DENIAL OF APPLICATION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1310	PERMIT MODIFICATIONS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	

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		15A NCAC 05H .1311	PERMIT TRANSFERS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1312	PERMIT EXPIRATION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1313	PERMIT SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1314	PERMIT RELEASE	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .1400 – FINANCIAL ASSURANCE	15A NCAC 05H .1401	PURPOSE AND SCOPE	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1402	BONDING REQUIREMENTS	Amended Eff. September 1, 2022	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1403	OIL OR GAS WELL PLUGGING AND ABANDONMENT BOND	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1404	DISTURBED LAND BOND	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1405	ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE BOND	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1406	INSPECTION AND APPROVAL OF RECLAMATION FOR BOND RELEASE OR FORFEITURE	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1407	BOND FORFEITURE PROCEEDINGS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .1500 – SITE INFRASTRUCTURE AND CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS	15A NCAC 05H .1501	PURPOSE AND SCOPE	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1502	WELL SITE CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1503	ACCESS ROAD CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	

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		15A NCAC 05H .1504	PIT AND TANK CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .1600 – WELL CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION	15A NCAC 05H .1601	SETBACK DISTANCES	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1602	PRODUCTION FACILITY SAFETY SETBACK DISTANCES	Amended Eff. September 1, 2022	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1603	VARIANCE FOR SETBACKS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1604	PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1605	CASING AND EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1606	CEMENTING STANDARDS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1607	WELL INSTALLATION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1608	WELL INSTALLATION FOR CONDUCTOR CASING	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1609	WELL INSTALLATION FOR SURFACE CASING	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1610	WELL INSTALLATION FOR INTERMEDIATE CASING	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1611	WELL INSTALLATION FOR PRODUCTION CASING	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1612	WELL INSTALLATION VARIANCE	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1613	WELL STIMULATION REQUIREMENTS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1614	WELLHEAD REQUIREMENTS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	

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		15A NCAC 05H .1615	WELL SITE MAINTENANCE AND SECURITY	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1616	WELL-CONTROL AND BLOWOUT PREVENTION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1617	VISUAL IMPACT MITIGATION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1618	REQUIREMENTS FOR PERMANENT CLOSURE OF OIL OR GAS WELLS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1619	NOTIFICATION AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR PERMANENT CLOSURE OF OIL OR GAS WELLS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1620	REQUIREMENTS FOR SHUTTING-IN OIL OR GAS WELLS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1621	REQUIREMENTS FOR TEMPORARY ABANDONMENT OF OIL OR GAS WELLS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1622	DEFECTIVE CASING, DEFECTIVE CEMENTING, AND WELL BLOWOUT NOTIFICATIONS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1623	WELL DRILLING REPORT	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1624	WELL STIMULATION REPORT	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .1700 – CHEMICAL DISCLOSURE	15A NCAC 05H .1701	CHEMICAL DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1702	REQUIRED DISCLOSURES	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1703	CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION PROTECTION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	

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	SECTION .1800 – ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING	15A NCAC 05H .1801	PURPOSE AND SCOPE	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1802	WATER SUPPLY TESTING NOTIFICATIONS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1803	WATER SUPPLY TESTING PROCEDURES	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1804	REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION OF WATER SUPPLY	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1805	REPORTING OF TEST RESULTS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1806	RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1807	TRACER TECHNOLOGY	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .1900 – WATER ACQUISITION AND MANAGEMENT	15A NCAC 05H .1901	WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN REQUIREMENTS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1902	SURFACE WATER SOURCE DOCUMENTATION	Amended Eff. September 1, 2022	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1903	GROUNDWATER SOURCE DOCUMENTATION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1904	PURCHASED WATER SOURCE DOCUMENTATION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1905	ALTERNATIVE WATER SOURCES	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .1906	REPORTING	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .2000 – OIL OR GAS SITE EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION WASTE MANAGEMENT	15A NCAC 05H .2001	PURPOSE AND SCOPE	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	

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		15A NCAC 05H .2002	EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN REQUIREMENTS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .2003	EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION WASTE DISPOSAL	Amended Eff. September 1, 2022	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .2004	PIT CLOSURE REQUIREMENTS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .2005	SPILLS AND RELEASES	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .2006	SAFETY AND SECURITY AT PITS AND TANKS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .2007	MONITORING AND REPORTING	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .2100 – WELL SITE RECLAMATION	15A NCAC 05H .2101	PURPOSE AND SCOPE	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .2102	RECLAMATION PLAN REQUIREMENTS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
		15A NCAC 05H .2103	TIMING AND NOTICE OF RECLAMATION	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	
	SECTION .2200 – OPERATION AND PRODUCTION	15A NCAC 05H .2201	OPERATION AND PRODUCTION REQUIREMENTS FOR OIL OR GAS WELLS	Eff. March 17, 2015	Necessary	No	