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**From:** Everett, Jennifer  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 16, 2024 4:02 PM  
**To:** Ascher, Seth M  
**Cc:** Burgos, Alexander N  
**Subject:** RE: Readoption date for 15A NCAC 05C

Sounds good, Seth.  
Thanks for letting me know.

Best,

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**Subject:** RE: Readoption date for 15A NCAC 05C

Jennifer,

I have reviewed this proposed schedule, and it looks reasonable. However, for administrative purposes we are planning to make readoption deadlines the first of the month. So I plan to recommend a readoption deadline of September 1, 2025 to the RRC at the upcoming meeting. This doesn't need to change anything about your planned schedule.

Practically, I will present a draft letter to the Commission setting this date and it will be on our agenda before the meeting, similar to how we handle staff opinions.

Let me know if you have any questions,

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Hello,

The Oil and Gas Commission at its May 7, 2024 approved the following schedule and proposed readoption date of August 5, 2025 for RRC consideration.

Proposed timeline from the Oil and Gas Commission for 15A NCAC 05C – Geophysical Exploration pursuant to 26 NCAC 05 .0212

- June 28, 2024: Staff to complete drafting rule amendments.
- June 1 – early July: Oil and Gas Commission’s Rules Committee review of draft amendments until the Rules Committee holds a meeting.
- Late June – July 2024: Oil and Gas Commission’s Rules Committee to hold meeting to discuss proposed amendments.
- July – September 2024: Regulatory Impact Analysis (RIA) development and OSBM approval.
- November 6, 2024: Oil and Gas Commission regularly scheduled meeting to approve the RIA and draft rules to proceed to public comment.
- November 21, 2024: Rules and Notice of Text filed to OAH for publication in the NC Register.
- December 16, 2024: NC Register issue published, beginning the public comment period.
- On or after December 31, 2024: Earliest hearing date possible based on NC Register publication.
- February 14, 2025: End of public comment period.
- February 21 - March 28, 2025: Staff to develop Hearing Officer’s Report (HOR).
- March 31 – April 18, 2025: Oil and Gas Commission’s Rules Committee to review draft HOR.
- End of April 2025: Oil and Gas Commission’s Rules Committee to hold meeting to discuss the HOR.
- August 5, 2025: Oil and Gas Commission’s regularly scheduled meeting to approve the RIA and adopt the rules.

- August 5, 2025: Oil and Gas Commission’s proposed readoption deadline.

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