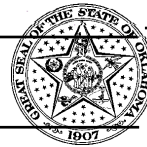

News from Commissioner Dana Murphy



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MANY VOICES HEARD ON HORIZONTAL DRILLING

Oklahoma Corporation Commissioner Dana Murphy says the hundreds who packed a special Commissioner meeting on horizontal drilling are owed thanks for the critical role they are playing in helping the Commission do its job, and will be counted on for continued input.

“I am pleased and gratified by the turnout at Tuesday’s meeting,” said Murphy. “The Commission is committed to fostering ongoing development of Oklahoma’s oil and gas resources, while balancing the rights of parties. The Commission is forming an ad-hoc committee on horizontal drilling issues which will have members from all the groups that were at Tuesday’s meeting.”

The meeting was an open forum for OCC staff, oil and gas producers, mineral owners, and other interested parties to discuss the various issues, including unitization and well spacing, raised by the increased use of horizontal drilling in Oklahoma in both conventional and unconventional natural gas reservoirs.

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