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BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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IN THE MATTER OF A PERMANENT  
RULEMAKING OF THE OKLAHOMA  
CORPORATION COMMISSION  
AMENDING OAC 165:10, OIL AND  
GAS CONSERVATION

CAUSE NO. RM 201600019

**ECONOMIC IMPACT AND ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFIT STATEMENT**

Pursuant to 27A O.S. §1-1-206 pertaining to the statement of the economic impact and environmental benefit of the proposed amendments to the Oil and Gas Conservation rules (OAC 165:10), the Oklahoma Corporation Commission submits the following:

**I. ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED RULES:**

Proposed rules requiring operators to install both leachate collection systems and monitor wells for new pits at commercial disposal well sites, and semiannual monitoring of such systems and monitor wells could have an economic impact on such operators, but expenses associated with such requirements could be offset by cost savings associated with earlier detection of pollution at such sites. It is anticipated that standardization of procedures for land application of deleterious substances in OAC 165:10-7-19, OAC 165:10-7-26 and OAC 165:10-9-2 could result in cost savings for operators.

**II. ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFIT OF THE PROPOSED RULES:**

Proposed amendments to OAC 165:10-3-10 imposing reporting requirements on operators whose wells have been impacted by hydraulic fracturing operations, OAC 165:10-5-6 establishing procedures for fluid level monitoring of wells required by underground injection control orders or permits and corrective action measures, OAC 165:10-7-19, OAC 165:10-7-26 and OAC 165:10-9-2 standardizing and enhancing requirements for land application of water-based fluids from earthen pits, tanks and pipeline construction, contaminated soils and petroleum hydrocarbon based drill cuttings, and other water-based type muds and/or cuttings, and OAC 165:10-9-3 requiring both leachate collection systems and monitor wells for new pits at commercial disposal well sites, and semiannual monitoring of such systems and monitor wells, will have a positive effect on public health, safety and the environment.

III. **DATE OF PREPARATION OF ECONOMIC IMPACT AND ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFIT STATEMENT:**

This Economic Impact and Environmental Benefit Statement was prepared on December 16, 2016.

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