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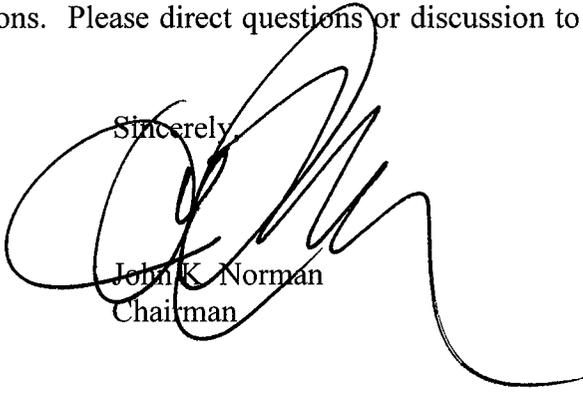
AOGCC Industry Guidance Bulletin No. 06-01 BOPE Testing after Use

AOGCC regulations governing rig-based drilling and workover BOPE testing after use are contained in 20 AAC 25.035 (e) (10) (C), 20 AAC 25.036 (d) (4), 20 AAC 25.285 (f) (2), and 20 AAC 25.286 (e) (1). As a result of some recent questions, the Commission provides the following guidance on applying these regulations.

If any BOPE components have been used for well control purposes, those BOPE components used must be function pressure tested to the required pressure, before the next wellbore entry. This BOPE testing after use is irrespective of, and in addition to, regularly required BOPE testing. BOPE components that have been used for routine purposes, or purposes other than well control, need not be tested beyond regularly required BOPE testing.

In order to ensure regulatory compliance, please share this guidance with all appropriate members of your organizations. Please direct questions or discussion to Winton Aubert at (907) 793-1231.

Sincerely,



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