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ABB Party a Success

Reagan Smith Energy Solutions would like to thank Tom Royer, OSU Extension Entomologist, for his presentation on the American Burying Beetle. We would also like to thank everyone who stopped by and made our ABB party a huge success!

The American Burying Beetle is listed as a Federal endangered species. Operators developers of areas where the ABB is historically found, likely to be present, documented or unconfirmed are required to perform absence/presence surveys or bait aways on projects with a federal nexus. While most operators and developers of these areas are familiar with the ABB, they have never actually seen one.

The American Burying Beetle is active from late May to mid-September. Reagan Smith Energy Solutions, Inc. is permitted through the US Fish and Wildlife Service to perform American Burying Beetle surveys. If you have questions or to schedule a survey, please contact Monica Smith Griffin at msmith@rsenergysolutions.com.

**Reagan Smith Energy Solutions'
Lead Environmental Specialist,
Lt. Cale Gee,
has been serving in Iraq.
We are very proud of him
and happy he has returned home safely!**

June 2009

Field Notes

Upcoming Dates

BIA Sales

Anadarko Agency
Accepting Nominations

Concho Agency
Accepting Nominations

Muskogee Agency
Accepting Nominations

Osage
Accepting Nominations

Pawnee Agency
Negotiated Leases

Five Civilized Tribes
Court Approved Leases
See our website for
Docket Days

Please contact us for sale
lists and nominations.
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U.S. EPA Pushes Back Effective Date of SPCC Rule Changes

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On March 30, 2009, the U.S. EPA announced that the April 4, 2009 effective date of the December 5, 2008 amendments to the Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasures ("SPCC") regulations has been extended. The amendments will now be effective on January 14, 2010. In addition, the U.S. EPA is requesting comments on whether a further extension of the effective date should be granted. The deadline for submitting comments will be announced when notice of the extension to January 14, 2010 is published in the Federal Register.

The SPCC regulations apply to facilities that have above-ground oil storage capacity of greater than 1,320 gallons or underground storage of greater than 42,000 gallons. The rule requires these facilities to prepare and implement SPCC Plans. The 2008 amendments to the rule exempt certain facilities from the SPCC requirements and provide additional flexibility for certain facilities when preparing their SPCC plans. Specifically, the amendments exempt the following containers from the SPCC requirements:

- Hot-mix asphalt and hot-mix asphalt containers;
- Residential heating oil containers used solely at single-family residences;
- Pesticide application equipment and related mix containers;
- Underground oil storage tanks that supply emergency diesel generators at nuclear power generation facilities;
- Intra-facility gathering lines subject to the pipeline regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation and
- Produced water containers that do not contain oil in harmful quantities (as certified by a professional engineer).

The 2008 amendments also provide a new provision that allows certain smaller facilities to prepare a less burdensome "SPCC Plan template" rather than a full SPCC plan. Under the 2006 amendments to the rule, the owners and operators of "qualified facilities", facilities with less than 10,000 gallons of above-ground storage, were given the option of self-certifying their SPCC plans rather than requiring that the plans be reviewed and certified by a professional engineer. The 2008 amendment splits the "qualified facility" definition into two categories— Tier 1 and Tier 11 qualified facilities. Tier 1 qualified facilities are facilities that have no individual above-ground storage containers with a capacity greater than 5,000 gallons. These Tier 1 facilities may use the streamlined "SPCC Plan template" rather than preparing a full SPCC plan. The template can be found in Appendix G of the revised rule.

Other changes to the rule include:

- A revised definition of the term "facility" to clarify the facilities boundaries;
- A new definition of the term "loading/unloading rack" to clarify when these units are subject to the rule;
- Amendments to the general secondary containment requirement;
- Exemption for non-transportation-related tank trucks from sized secondary containment requirements;
- Amendments to the security measure provisions to allow facilities to tailor the security measures to the specific characteristics of the facility; and
- Amendments to the integrity testing requirements for bulk storage containers to allow greater flexibility in the use of industry standards at all facilities.

For more information about SPCC plans
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Field Notes

Upcoming Dates

BLM Sales

Colorado BLM

Cutoff date: Closed
Sale: August 13, 2009

Cutoff date: June 22, 2009
Sale: November 12, 2009

New Mexico BLM

Cutoff date: Closed
Sale: July 22, 2009

Cutoff date: Closed
Sale: October 21, 2009

Nevada BLM

Cutoff date: Closed
Sale: September 8, 2009

Cutoff date: July 17, 2009
Sale: December 8, 2009

Utah BLM

Cutoff date: Closed
Sale: August 18, 2009

Cutoff date: July 2, 2009
Sale: November 17, 2009

Wyoming BLM

Cutoff date: Closed
Sale: August 4, 2009

Cutoff date: Closed
Sale: October 2, 2009

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SemGroup's White Cliff Pipeline Begins Commercial Operation

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SemGroup, L.P. announced today (June 2, 2009) that its White Cliffs Pipeline has begun commercial operations. The 12-inch pipeline carries crude oil 525 miles from near Platteville, Colo., to storage tanks owned and operated by SemGroup at Cushing, Okla. The pipeline is expected to meet rising demand for moving crude oil from the Rockies to major U.S. markets via the Cushing facility, a critical hub for domestic oil distribution.

“Commencing commercial operations on White Cliffs is a major milestone for SemGroup and our customers,” said Pete Schwiering, President of SemCrude, the SemGroup division that oversees crude oil distribution and storage. “White Cliffs is strategically located and positioned to transport crude oil from markets in the Rockies to critical U.S. markets.”

Current capacity of the pipeline is approximately 30,000 barrels per day, and can be expanded to more than 50,000 barrels per day. The pipeline includes a 100,000 barrel tank at Platteville to aggregate DJ Basin/Wattenberg Field crude for shipment via the pipeline to markets downstream.

White Cliffs Pipeline is indirectly owned 99.17% by SemGroup, L.P., 0.415% by Anadarko Wattenberg Co., LLC, and 0.415% by Samedan Pipeline Corp.

Reagan Smith Energy Solutions, Inc. was instrumental in securing local, state and federal permits for the White Cliffs Pipeline. For more information on pipeline permitting please contact Monica Smith Griffin at msmith@rsenergysolutions.com



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Field Notes

Upcoming Dates

State Sales

Louisiana

July 8, 2009

Oklahoma CLO

July 22, 2009

September 23, 2009

North Dakota

August 4, 2009

Upcoming Events

OCAPL Meeting

September 14, 2009

OCAPL Luncheon

September 14, 2009

TAPL Luncheon

TBA

Wind Commerce

2009

June 23-24, 2009

American Burying

Beetle Season

May 20th-Sept. 20th

Wind Energy On the Turkish Island of Bozcaada

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During a 10-day trip to Turkey in May, this correspondent had the pleasure of visiting one of the most beautiful spots in that part of the world– the island of Bozcaada, in the Aegean Sea, just south of the strategically-located Dardanelles straits. Here is an island, also known as Tenedos in Greek, featuring a single, bustling village and some wonderful vineyards that are scattered across the rolling landscape.

Beyond the beautiful landscapes, the picturesque vineyards and the quaintness of the town and accompanying harbor, there is a manmade feature to Bozcaada that captured the attention of this Okie. It was the wind farm located on a cape at the far western end of the island. Yes, in Turkey, alternative energy appears to be on the grow and wind power is doing wonders for windy locales such as Bozcaada. The 17 wind turbines powering the island were erected in 2000 and is called the Bozcaada Energy Station.

Renting a motorized scooter, I rode along the island's northern roads, through the picturesque vineyards and rolling landscape. It was not long before the wind turbines were visible against the crisp, blue sky. Emerging through the small cedar forest, along the road, it ended at the gate leading to the wind farm. It was a particularly breezy day and the 17 turbines, with three rotor blades each, were spinning at a good clip. Unfortunately we could not get any closer to inspect the farm itself. Still, it attracted tourists, as several carloads of people would drive up, take a few pictures, look around and then leave. Further research on the Bozcaada Energy Station and the wind farm– one of 10 wind farms in Turkey– revealed that it meets the needs of 30,000 people, more than enough for the approximately 2,500 people living on the island.

As it turns out, much of the energy produced by the turbines– 10.2 megawatts– is then sent to the mainland where it is used. According to an article in 2007 at RenewableEnergyWorld.com, a new wind farm in southeastern Turkey, set to be complete this year, will have the ability to produce 135 megawatts. And while Turkey has been slow in embracing alternative energy sources like wind, Turkey's Energy Ministry was reported in a recent Reuters article that they want “to make wind energy a primary source of power,” primarily because they have little oil and gas supplies of their own. Enerjisa, an environmentally-conscious Turkish energy company, is looking to have a 30-megawatt-producing wind farm on line in 2010 in the northwest Turkish province of Canakkale. *Red Dirt Report* spent time in this region during the visit, with Bozcaada, belonging to the Canakkale province, and it appears that more people are moving into that area and energy needs are warranting the need for more sources of energy. And in Turkey, they are looking more and more towards the ample skies and all of that wind energy.

June 2009**Field Notes****Energy Prices and Rig
Count as of
June 17, 2009**

WTI Crude-ICE	70.3
Brent Crude-ICE	70.2
Ethanol-cbot	1.74
Gas Oil-ICE	5.79
Rig Count- Africa	62
Rig Count-Europe	82
Rig Count-Canada	108
Rig Count-Far East	239
Rig Count-LatAm	357
Rig Count- USA	876

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IPAA Action Alert

The American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009– the Waxman-Markey energy-global climate bill– contains provisions regarding commodity– hedging practices that would have a devastating impact on the American natural gas and oil industry. The legislation was crafted with the goal of stabilizing commodity prices while pushing speculators out of trading in these commodities. However, under the proposed legislation independent producers would be required to conduct their hedging activities directly with the exchanges and post cash collateral twice daily based on the value of their hedges.

IPAA strongly opposes the Commodity Exchange Act provisions of this bill as reported by the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. By not drawing a clear distinction between producers and speculators, the result will be a likely decrease in natural gas and oil production. At a minimum, it will create an uncertain and uneven ability to plan. This is necessary for the natural gas and oil industry, which requires a great deal of planning, as well as long lead times from obtaining leases to actually bringing essential energy resources to market.

We urge you to contact your representative to oppose these provisions restricting the legitimate hedging practices of independent producers.

MONTANA!

Reagan Smith Energy Solutions is proud to announce expansion into Montana. We are currently leasing and permitting 35 townships. For more information on our leasing services contact Jennifer Krieg at jkrieg@rsenergysolutions.com