Department of Environmental Quality

To protect, conserve and enhance the quality of Wyoming's environment for the benefit of current and future generations.

Matthew H. Mead, Governor

Todd Parfitt, Director

January 14, 2013

Mr. Ronald D. Truelove
Environmental Manager
Devon Energy Production Company
20 North Broadway, Suite 1500
Oklahoma City, OK 73102

RE: Notice of Violation

Dear Mr. Truelove:

Enclosed you will find a Notice of Violation (NOV) issued to Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. by the Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division, for failing to comply with permit requirements for routing vapors to the emission control device and venting vapors at the Tierney Section 14 PAD facility located in Sweetwater County, Wyoming. These are violations of permit CT-13364. These violations were observed by Mr. Jeff Wendt on October 30, 2012.

As the Department and this Division consider the failure to comply with air quality permit conditions to be a serious matter, I am considering recommending the Department refer this violation to the State Attorney General's office requesting a suit be filed in District Court to recover appropriate penalties. If you would like to discuss settlement of this Notice of Violation prior to referral to the Attorney General's office, please contact Ms. Karen Godman, Air Quality Compliance Program Principal, at 307-777-3774 no later than ten (10) days after receipt of this letter.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me or Ms. Karen Godman.

Sincerely,

Steven A. Dietrich

Steven A. Dietrich
Administrator
Air Quality Division

cc: Robert Gill
Tony Hoyt
Nancy Vehr
Keith Guille

BEFORE THE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
STATE OF WYOMING

IN THE MATTER OF THE NOTICE OF VIOLATION	)
ISSUED TO DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION CO. L.P.	) **DOCKET NO. 5108-13**
MR. RONALD D. TRUELOVE	)
20 NORTH BROADWAY, SUITE 1500	)
OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73102	)

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:

1. The Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Air Quality, has found Devon Energy Production Company, L.P., to be in violation of permit CT-13364. This permit was issued in accordance with W.S. 35-11-801 of the Wyoming Environmental Quality Act and Chapter 6, Section 2 of the Wyoming Air Quality Standards and Regulations for the Tierney Section 14 PAD facility located in Sweetwater County, Wyoming.

2. W.S. 35-11-801(a) states, "In granting permits, the Director may impose such conditions as may be necessary to accomplish the purpose of this act which are not inconsistent with the existing rules, regulations and standards."

3. Chapter 6, Section 2 of the Wyoming Air Quality Standards and Regulations prescribes the applicability and procedures for issuing permits to sources under Wyoming's construction and modification permitting program.

4. Permit CT-13364 was issued to Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. on July 24, 2012 for the Tierney Section 14 PAD facility. Condition 18 requires control of emissions as follows:

> "Emission control equipment, including the VOC and HAP emission control system or device, all vent lines, connections, fittings, valves, relief valves, hatches or any other appurtenance employed to contain and collect vapors and transport them to the emission control system or device, shall be maintained and operated during any time the wells are producing such that the emissions are controlled at all times…"

5. On October 30, 2012, Mr. Jeff Wendt, Air Quality Division Engineer/Inspector, observed that vapors were venting from the blowdown flare. Venting vapors from the tanks and not routing vapors to emission control devices is a violation of condition 18 of permit CT-13364.

6. Said violations consist of venting vapors to the atmosphere from tanks and not routing vapors to emission control systems at the Tierney Section 14 PAD facility. Venting vapors and not routing vapors to control devices are violations of permit CT-13364.

7. Under W.S. 35-11-901(a), any person who violates any provision of Article 2 of [the Environmental Quality Act] ... or any rule, regulation, standard or permit adopted pursuant to those provisions, or who violates any determination or order of the council pursuant to Article 2 of [the Environmental Quality Act] ... is subject to a penalty not to exceed ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00) for each violation for each day during which the violation continues, a temporary or permanent injunction, or both a penalty and an injunction.

8. This notice is being sent to you pursuant to W.S. 35-11-701(c), which requires that, in any case of the failure to correct or remedy an alleged violation, the Director of the Department of Environmental Quality shall cause a written notice to be issued and served upon the person alleged to be responsible.

DATED this 14th day of JANUARY, 2013.

Steven A. Dietrich
Administrator
Air Quality Division

Todd Parfitt
Director
Department of Environmental Quality

Please direct all inquiries to Steven A. Dietrich, Administrator, Division of Air Quality, Department of Environmental Quality, Herschler Building, 2nd Floor, 122 W. 25th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. (Telephone: 307/777-7393.)