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1562356

## Proposed Alternate Method or Material for Casing, Plugging, Venting or Equipping a Well

Well Operator Diversified Production LLC		DEP ID# 65675	Well Permit or Registration Number 3712920201	
Address 395 Airport Road		244896	Well Farm Name GERTRUDE E MECHLING	
City Indiana	State PA	Zip Code 15701	Well # 4236	Serial # N/A
Phone Northern PA 724-422-7878 Southern PA 724-397-5333	Fax N/A	County WESTMORELAND		Municipality HEMPFIELD

*A proposed alternate method is subject to provisions in §3221 of the 2012 Oil and Gas Act, 58 Pa. C.S. §3221 Section 13 of the Coal and Gas Resource Coordination Act, 58 P.S. §513 and 25 PA Code §§78.75-78.75a (relating to Alternate Methods.) **Attach proof of notification of coal operator(s).***

**Describe in reasonable detail using a written description and / or diagram:**

- 1. the proposed alternate method or materials, and**
- 2. the manner in which the alternative will satisfy the goals of the laws and regulations.**

1. In lieu of venting requirements of 78.92 and 78.93 relating to wells located in coal areas, it is proposed to cement the well from TD or DEP-approved attainable bottom to surface.

2. Well shall be cemented using cement that meets or exceeds the ASTM International C 150, Type I, II or III Standard or API Specification 10 to stop the vertical flow of free gas or fluids.

<b>Optional: Approval by Coal Owner or Operator</b>		<b>Signature of Applicant / Well Operator</b>	
Signature	Date	Signature Nicholas Bumgardner	Date 3/4/2026
Print or Type Signer's Name and Title		Print or Type Signer's Name and Title Nicholas Bumgardner, Permitting Supervisor	

If optional approval is signed by coal owner or operator, the 15-day objection period may be waived.

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Approved by (DEP Manager)	Conditions <input type="checkbox"/> YES, See Attached <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Date

## Carla Henry

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**From:** Carla Henry  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 4, 2026 10:46 AM  
**To:** mallison5@aol.com  
**Cc:** 'wgs@muslaw.com'; Nicholas Bumgardner  
**Subject:** Documents for Review & Signature - GERTRUDE E MECHLING 4236 3712920201 - Natural Gas Well Plugging Operations  
**Attachments:** 3712920201\_Alt Method\_Signed.pdf; 3712920201\_NOI\_Signed.pdf; 3712920201\_Location Plat.pdf; 3712920201\_Well Record.pdf  
**Importance:** High

Good morning, Mark.

In follow up to our phone conversation, Diversified Production is the operator of the 3712920201 Gertrude E Mechling shallow natural gas well located in Hempfield Township, Westmoreland County. As mentioned, A & C Property Holdings, LLC is the owner of the coal rights for that property.

This natural gas well is no longer producing gas. Because of this, Diversified Energy is required per PA Department of Environmental Protection regulations to complete the well plugging process to stop the vertical flow of fluids or natural gas. This will not affect the coal rights ownership of this property in any way. Per regulation, Diversified is required to notify the coal owner of our intent to plug this well using an Alternate Method. The Alternate Method process is described on the first attachment to this email.

As a formality, if you have no concerns with Diversified plugging this well using this alternate method, could you please sign the attached form and return to me? The form requiring signature is:

***3712920201\_Alt Method\_Signed.pdf – Please sign in the “Optional: Approval by Coal Owner or Operator” space and print your name and title in the box below.***

In addition, if you waive your right to be notified of the date and time before plugging work will begin and to be present at the plugging of this well, please sign this form -- 3712920201\_NOI\_Signed.pdf on the signature line in the box where it lists A & C Property Holdings, LLC. as the coal owner (this is optional).

These are necessary for filing with the PA Department of Environmental Protection, and *we are in a bit of a time crunch.* The additional documents attached are for your review and reference.

If you have any questions, please contact me and I will be happy to assist.

Thank you.

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Carla, before we start the review process on this request...can you confirm that Diversified will be responsible for any and all expenses, fees and costs associated with this plugging process. Also, need confirmation that all surface facilities will be removed and that these arrangements with respect to any and all expenses, fees and costs being paid by Diversified also apply to any damages or restoration of the surface areas surrounding this well and any adjoining property. Please advise. Thanks. Mark

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On Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 10:45 AM, Carla Henry <[chenry@dgoc.com](mailto:chenry@dgoc.com)> wrote:

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