



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS MANAGEMENT

DEP USE ONLY
Application Tracking #
1570492

Electronically Received 5/20/26
5/21/26 dg
OGO-4585
Client 6316
459669

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

Well Operator Elder Oil & Gas Co.		DEP ID# 4585	Well Permit or Registration Number 37-019-01926	
Address 116 Elder Road		Well Farm Name Midberry		
City Parker	State PA	Zip Code 16049	Well # 4	Serial #
Phone 814-358-2590	Fax	County Butler	Municipality Marion Township	

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.**

Elder Oil & Gas respectfully requests an alternative method to complete the plugging of Midberry #4 well by leaving the surface casing intact and fill with pea gravel due to several unsuccessful attempts to separate the surface casing using the following methods:

1. Pulling at the required pulling force
2. Pulling at the required pulling force with the addition of hydraulic jacks
3. Pulling by exceeding the required pulling force with the addition of hydraulic jacks

Optional: Approval by Coal Owner or Operator		Signature of Applicant / Well Operator	
Signature	Date	Signature	Date
		<i>Albert Elder</i>	<i>5-20-26</i>
Print or Type Signer's Name and Title		Print or Type Signer's Name and Title	
		<i>ALBERT ELDER</i>	

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	Date
<i>Brian MacQuarrie</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES, See Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<i>5/22/2026</i>