

Inspections of Waste Management Facilities

January 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017



This document, which will be updated twice a year, reports on inspections of waste management facilities.

Of 142 waste management facility inspections between January 1, 2016, and June 30, 2017, 66 (46%) found at least one noncompliance (“unsatisfactory inspections”). The top ten most common noncompliances are indicated in the table below.

Noncompliance	Number of occurrences
OGCR, 7.001, 7.003, and 8.150(3)(a)-(c), (e)-(f); <i>Directive 058</i> , 2.1(2) – Waste Management Approval operational requirements not met.	19
<i>Directive 058</i> , 11.3(2) and 11.6(3) – Odour emissions other than H ₂ S at an Oilfield Waste Management Facility.	12
<i>Directive 047</i> – Oilfield waste accounting was not done appropriately.	9
OGCR, 12.030(1); <i>Directive 007</i> , 3.4(6) – Flared/vented gas not reported to Petrinex.	8
OGCR, 7.003 and 8.150(3)(a); <i>Directive 058</i> , 2.1(2) – Waste Management Approval administrative requirements are not met.	7
WMR, 47–56 and 58; WA, 142(1)(e) – Construction, drilling, maintenance, servicing, monitoring and well specification requirements do not meet the WMR requirements.	7
<i>Directive 058</i> , 5.1 and 5.2; <i>Directive 047</i> – Waste facility does not accurately record on Petrinex incoming and outgoing waste streams to ensure waste materials are accounted for and disposed of appropriately.	7
OGCR, 8.150(4) – Facility not maintained in a clean condition.	6
WMR, 68; WA, 142(1)(e) – Duties after water well completion as per Waste Management requirements not met.	5
OGCR, 6.028(8)-(13); <i>Schedule 12</i> , - No or improper warning symbol posted adjacent to all entrances to the developed area of wells and facilities.	4

Waste management facilities have the highest percentage of unsatisfactory inspections compared to the following categories: drilling, servicing, oil facilities, gas facilities, pipelines, drilling waste, well sites, and coal and oil sands mining sites. Because of this, we are planning to increase the number of inspections of waste management facilities in the second half of 2017 and in 2018.

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