

# **SUBPART Q - DECOMMISSIONING ACTIVITIES**

## **Updated July 28, 2016**

### **PERMITS**

**A-500 HAS THE LESSEE RECEIVED WRITTEN APPROVAL FROM THE DISTRICT MANAGER PRIOR TO CONDUCTING DECOMMISSIONING OPERATIONS ON THE WELL?**

### **TEMPORARY ABANDONMENT**

**A-505 DOES THE WELL MEET THE PLUGGING AND TESTING REQUIREMENTS FOR A PERMANENT ABANDONMENT, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF A SURFACE PLUG, WELLHEAD REMOVAL, AND SITE CLEARANCE?**

**Authority: 30 CFR 250.1721**

**Enforcement Actions: W**

**A-510 IS A SUBSEA PROTECTIVE DEVICE INSTALLED AS REQUIRED?**

**Authority: 30 CFR 250.1721(f)(3)  
30 CFR 250.1722**

**Enforcement Actions: W**

## **PERMANENT ABANDONMENT**

- A-515**      **IS ISOLATION OF ZONES IN OPEN HOLE ACHIEVED?**  
Authority: 30 CFR 250.1715(a)(1)      Enforcement Actions: W
- A-520**      **IS ISOLATION OF THE OPEN HOLE BELOW THE CASING ACHIEVED?**  
Authority: 30 CFR 250.1715(a)(2)      Enforcement Actions: W
- A-525**      **IS ISOLATION OF PERFORATED INTERVALS ACHIEVED?**  
Authority: 30 CFR 250.1715(a)(3)      Enforcement Actions: W
- A-530**      **IS PLUGGING OF THE STUB ACHIEVED?**  
Authority: 30 CFR 250.1715(a)(4)  
                 30 CFR 250.1715(a)(5)      Enforcement Actions: W
- A-535**      **IS ANY ANNULAR SPACE COMMUNICATING WITH OPEN HOLE, AND EXTENDING TO THE MUD LINE, PLUGGED, AND IF APPLICABLE, PRESSURE TESTED TO VERIFY ISOLATION?**  
Authority: 30 CFR 250.1715(a)(6)      Enforcement Actions: W
- A-540**      **IS A CEMENT SURFACE PLUG SET IN THE SMALLEST STRING OF CASING WHICH EXTENDS TO THE MUD LINE?**  
Authority: 30 CFR 250.1715(a)(8)      Enforcement Actions: W
- A-545**      **IS THE INTEGRITY OF APPLICABLE PLUGS VERIFIED?**  
Authority: 30 CFR 250.1715(b)      Enforcement Actions: W
- A-550**      **IS THE DENSITY OF THE FLUID LEFT IN THE HOLE ADEQUATE FOR THE FORMATION INTERVAL?**  
Authority: 30 CFR 250.1715(a)(9)      Enforcement Actions: W
- A-555**      **ARE WELLHEADS AND CASINGS REMOVED AS REQUIRED?**  
Authority: 30 CFR 250.1716      Enforcement Actions: W
- A-560**      **ARE PERMAFROST AREAS WITHIN THE WELL ABANDONED AS REQUIRED?**  
Authority: 30 CFR 250.1715(a)(10)      Enforcement Actions: W
- A-565**      **ARE TWO INDEPENDENT BARRIERS INSTALLED, ONE OF WHICH MUST BE A MECHANICAL BARRIER, IN THE CENTER WELLBORE BEFORE TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT ABANDONMENT OF THE WELL?**  
Authority: 30 CFR 250.1715(a)(11)      Enforcement Actions: W



**CAPACITY TO CLOSE-OPEN-CLOSE EACH COMPONENT OF THE BOP STACK AND  
MAINTAIN 200 PSI ABOVE THE PRE-CHARGE PRESSURE WITHOUT ASSISTANCE FROM A  
CHARGING SYSTEM?**

**Authority: 30 CFR 250.1706(a)(6)**

**Enforcement Actions: S**

## SNUBBING REQUIREMENTS

- A-700      **WITH THE TREE IN PLACE, DO THE MINIMUM BOP SYSTEM COMPONENTS FOR DECOMMISSIONING OPERATIONS, WHICH ARE BEING PERFORMED WITH A SNUBBING UNIT, INCLUDE ONE SET OF PIPE RAMS THAT ARE HYDRAULICALLY OPERATED?**  
Authority: 30 CFR 250.1706(b)(1)      Enforcement Actions: S
- A-705      **WITH THE TREE IN PLACE, DO THE MINIMUM BOP SYSTEM COMPONENTS FOR DECOMMISSIONING OPERATIONS, WHICH ARE BEING PERFORMED WITH A SNUBBING UNIT, INCLUDE TWO SETS OF STRIPPER- TYPE PIPE RAMS THAT ARE HYDRAULICALLY OPERATED WITH A SPACER SPOOL?**  
Authority: 30 CFR 250.1706(b)(2)      Enforcement Actions: S
- A-710      **IS AN INSIDE BOP OR SPRING-LOADED BACK-PRESSURE SAFETY VALVE IN THE OPEN POSITION BEING MAINTAINED ON THE RIG UNIT'S FLOOR AT ALL TIMES WHEN THE TREE HAS BEEN REMOVED; OR DURING WELL-WORKOVER OPERATIONS WITH THE TREE INSTALLED AND USING SMALL TUBING AS THE WORK STRING?**  
Authority: 30 CFR 250.1706(c)      Enforcement Actions: S