

(g) "Owner" means the person who has the right to drill into and produce from a pool, or to store in a pool, and appropriate the oil or gas the person produces or stores either for the person or others.

(h) "Person" means any individual, corporation, association, partnership, receiver, trustee, executor, administrator, guardian, fiduciary, or other representative of any kind.

(i) "Pool" means an underground reservoir containing a common accumulation of oil, gas, or both.

(j) "Producer" means the owner of a well capable of producing oil, gas, or both.

(k) "Product" means any commodity produced in its natural state by an oil or gas well.

(l) (1) "Underground storage" means the storing of gas or oil in a geological stratum beneath the surface of the earth.

(2) "Underground storage" includes the injection of gas or oil into and withdrawal from an underground storage reservoir and any other operation necessary for or convenient to the storage of gas or of oil.

(m) "Underground storage reservoir" means the stratum and subsurface area that are used or are to be used for or in connection with the underground storage of gas or of oil.

14-104.

(a) A person may not drill any well for the exploration, production, or underground storage of gas or oil in the State without obtaining a permit from the Department of [Natural Resources] THE ENVIRONMENT under the terms and conditions and on the forms the Department prescribes.

(b) (1) The Department shall require an applicant to submit an environmental assessment for the purpose of evaluating an application.

(2) The Department shall coordinate with the Department of [the Environment] NATURAL RESOURCES in its evaluation of the environmental assessment.

(c) The permit serves as the permit required under the provisions of Title 9, Subtitle 13 of [the Environment Article] THIS ARTICLE, dealing with well drillers.

(d) A person may not dispose of any product of a gas or oil well without the necessary permits issued by the Department [of Natural Resources or the Department of the Environment].

14-105.

(a) An applicant for a permit to drill a well under § [6-104] 14-104 of this subtitle shall submit an application in a manner satisfactory to the Department.