

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
Oil and Gas Division

NOTICE TO OIL AND GAS WELL OPERATORS

**TIGHT GAS AREA DESIGNATIONS WITH
NON-CONTIGUOUS ACREAGE AND/OR
WINDOW ACREAGE**

This notice addresses applications for tight gas area designation (Statewide Rule 101) that propose two or more sections of discontinuous acreage to be included as a single area in one application, and/or applications that propose to exclude a section of “window” acreage within the proposed area.

Administrative review places the following restrictions on the policy of allowing applications proposing two or more sections of non-contiguous acreage as a single area:

1. Each non-contiguous section of acreage must be able to qualify on its own with respect to the flow rate and permeability requirements listed in Statewide Rule 101;
2. All data point wells for an application must be located within the proposed area; and
3. The lateral separation between any non-contiguous sections of acreage cannot exceed 2.5 miles.

Administrative review places the following restrictions on the policy of allowing applications that exclude a section of “window” acreage from the applied-for area:

1. If the “window” acreage contains a well that can be used as a datapoint well for the application, that window acreage cannot be excluded. Also, the datapoint well within that acreage must be used in the application.