COUNTY OF CLARION, PENNSYLVANIA
ORDINANCE 2012-No.1

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF CLARION, PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING AN UNCONVENTIONAL GAS WELL FEE ON EACH UNCONVENTIONAL GAS WELL SPUD IN CLARION COUNTY, PURSUANT TO THE ACT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, KNOWN AS THE UNCONVENTIONAL GAS WELL IMPACT FEE ACT; PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE FEES; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ORDINANCE AND PROVIDING FOR THE ORDINANCE TO BE TRANSMITTED TO THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Commissioners of Clarion County in lawful session assembled that:

Section 1. The County of Clarion hereby imposes an unconventional gas well fee on each unconventional gas well spud in this County as authorized in Title 58.

Section 2. Definitions. The following words and phrases when used in this Ordinance shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Fee" - The unconventional gas well fee imposed under Section 2302 of Title 58.

"Spud" - The actual start of drilling of an unconventional gas well.

"Title 58" - Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes as amended by Act of February 14, 2012 (P.L., No. 13).

"Unconventional Gas Well" - A bore hole drilled or being drilled for the purpose of or to be used for the production of natural gas from an unconventional formation.

Section 3. The unconventional gas well fee shall be applicable, and shall be administered, as provided for in Title 58.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until repealed or amended.

Section 5. A copy of this Ordinance shall be transmitted to the Public Utility Commission as required by Title 58.

Section 6. All Ordinances and Resolutions or parts thereof which are inconsistent herewith and hereby repealed insofar as they are inconsistent.

Section 7. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable. If any sentence, clause or section of

this Ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such unconstitutionality, illegality or invalidity shall not invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance, and it is hereby declared to be the intention of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Clarion that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid sentence, clause or section not have been included herein.

DULY ENACTED AND ORDAINED at Public Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Clarion, Pennsylvania, held this 11th day of April, 2012.

ATTEST:

Anjanette M. Keller, Chief Clerk

(Seal)

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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