§ 3210. Prior and pending proceedings

For purposes of this chapter, proceedings commenced by any State regulatory authority (with respect to gas utilities for which it has rate-making authority) and any nonregulated gas utility before November 9, 1978, and actions taken before such date in such proceedings shall be treated as complying with the requirements of this chapter if such proceedings and actions substantially conform to such requirements. For purposes of this chapter, any such proceeding or action commenced before November 9, 1978, but not completed before such date shall comply with the requirements of this chapter, to the maximum extent practicable, with respect to so much of such proceeding or action as takes place after such date.


§ 3211. Relationship to other authority

Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to limit or affect any authority of the Secretary or the Commission under any other provision of law.


DEFINITIONS

The definitions of Secretary and Commission in section 2602 of Title 16, Conservation, apply to this section.

CHAPTER 60—NATURAL GAS POLICY

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3431. Coordination with the Natural Gas Act.

3432. Effect on State laws.

§ 3301. Definitions

For purposes of this chapter—

(1) Natural gas

The term ‘‘natural gas’’ means either natural gas unmixed, or any mixture of natural and artificial gas.

(2) Well

The term ‘‘well’’ means any well for the discovery or production of natural gas, crude oil, or both.

(3) New well

The term ‘‘new well’’ means any well—

(A) the surface drilling of which began on or after February 19, 1977; or

(B) the depth of which was increased, by means of drilling on or after February 19, 1977, to a completion location which is located at least 1,000 feet below the depth of the deepest completion location of such well attained before February 19, 1977.

(4) Old well

The term ‘‘old well’’ means any well other than a new well.

(5) Marker well

(A) General rule

The term ‘‘marker well’’ means any well—

(i) the surface drilling of which began on or after January 1, 1970, and before April 20, 1977; or

(ii) the depth of which was increased, by means of drilling on or after January 1, 1970, and before April 20, 1977.

(B) New wells

The term ‘‘marker well’’ does not include any new well under paragraph (3)(A) but includes any new well under paragraph (3)(B) if such well qualifies as a marker well under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph.

(6) Reservoir

The term ‘‘reservoir’’ means any producible natural accumulation of natural gas, crude oil, or both, confined—

(A) by impermeable rock or water barriers and characterized by a single natural pressure system; or

(B) by lithologic or structural barriers which prevent pressure communication.

(7) Completion location

(A) General rule

The term ‘‘completion location’’ means any subsurface location from which natural