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FROM: Paul Dubois, Asst. Director
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DATE: December 8, 2020

SUBJECT: Propose revisions to Form PR Monthly Production Report

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Staff is seeking approval to post proposed changes to Form PR Monthly Production Report for public comment on the RRC's website. The proposed revisions will support the RRC's regulation of flaring and venting of produced natural gas. The proposed revisions are to the Form PR Instructions—how operators complete it—not to the structure of the form itself.

The proposed revisions include three changes to the Form PR instructions:

1. "Disposition Code 4", which is currently used to report the volume of gas that was vented or flared, will be discontinued.
2. Two new disposition codes will be implemented to allow operators to allocate gas. For gas that was flared "Disposition Code 10" will be used. For gas that was vented "Disposition Code 11" will be used. This change will allow the RRC to distinguish the legal disposition of gas that was flared and vented.
3. An operator will be required to enter one or more two-letter codes to the existing "Remarks" field on the Form when gas is allocated to Disposition Codes 10 or 11. The two letter codes correspond to the authority under which the gas was flared or vented, and include the following: AR – Authorized by Rule; AE – Authorized by Exception; EP –