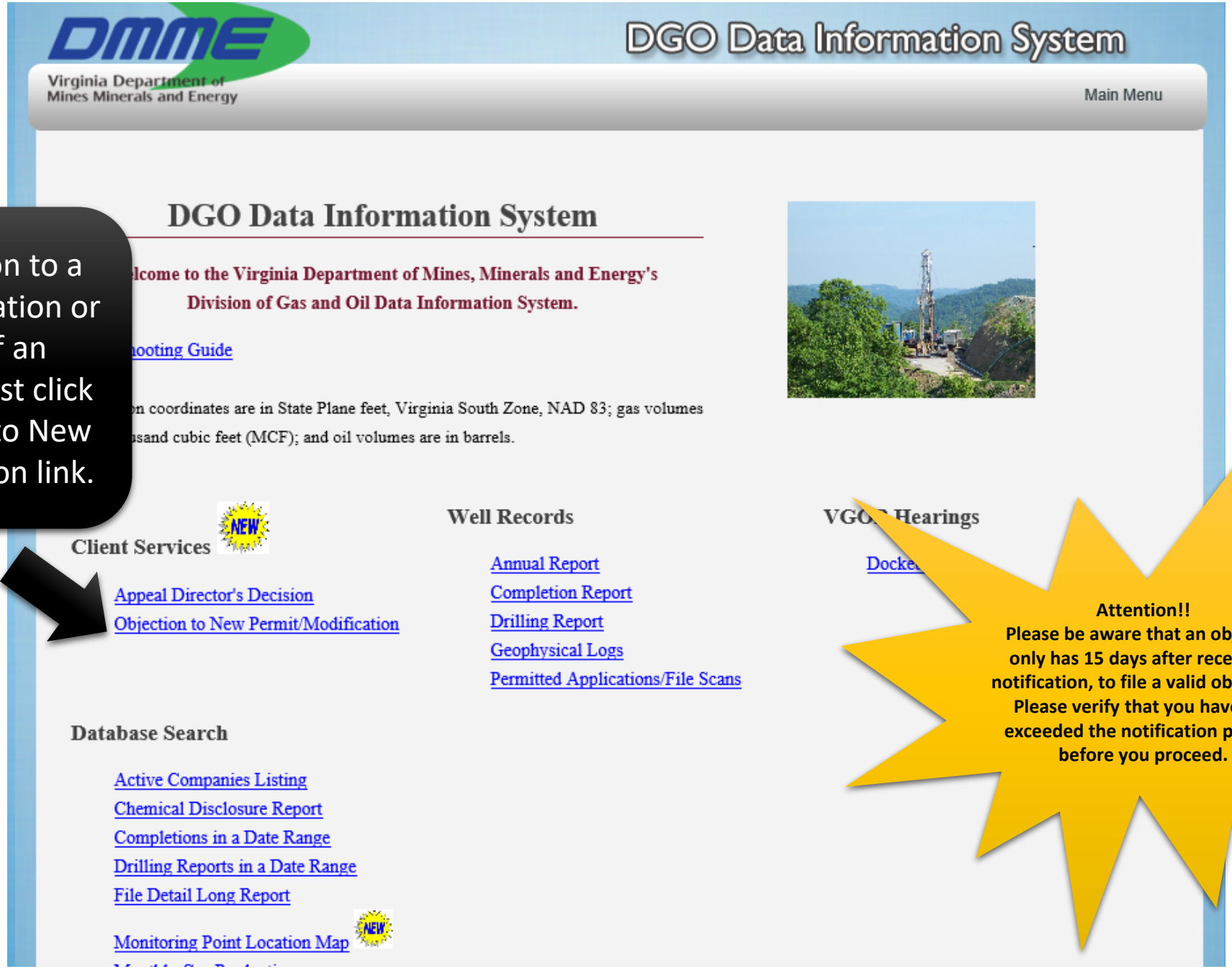
Division of Gas and Oil Data Information System

Filing an Objection to a New Permit or Modification

To file an objection to a new permit application or modification of an existing permit, first click on the Objection to New Permit/Modification link.



Attention!!
Please be aware that an objector only has 15 days after receipt of notification, to file a valid objection. Please verify that you have not exceeded the notification period, before you proceed.

Objection to New Permit/Modification

Note: * denotes required fields for submission

Please complete the following Contact Information. Fields marked with an asterisk (*) are required.

Contact Information for Objector:

* Name:
Company Name:

All correspondence regarding this objection will be via electronic format (e-mail).

* Email Address:
* Re-enter Email Address (for verification):

Mailing Address 1:
Address 2:
* City, State Zip:
* Phone Number:

☐ I request that my attorney be included on all correspondence.

From this list, you will choose the application number for which you wish to object. (The application number can be found in the notification packet you received from the operator

*** Division of Gas and Oil Application Number:**

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You must choose a basis for your objection, from the options shown here. (You may choose more than one category.)

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- ☐ Coal Owner (any person who owns, leases, mines and produces, or has the right to mine and produce, a coal seam)
- ☐ Surface Owner (any person who is the owner of record of the surface of the land)
- ☐ Royalty Owner (any owner of gas or oil in place, or owner of gas or oil rights, who is eligible to receive payment based on the production of gas or oil)
- ☐ Mineral Owner (any person who owns, leases, mines and produces, or who has the right to mine and produce minerals and to appropriate such minerals that he produces therefrom, either for himself or for himself and others)
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Once you select a basis for your objection, another list will appear, based on your selection. You will then be prompted to choose any (or all) that support your reason for objecting. You must choose ***at least*** one.

* Surface Owner Objection:

Check all of the following that apply

- ☐ 1. The operations plan for soil erosion and sediment control is inadequate not effective.
- ☐ 2. There are not measures (in addition to the requirement for a well's water-protection string) necessary to protect fresh water-bearing strata.
- ☐ 3. The proposed work constitutes a hazard to the safety of any person.
- ☐ 4. The location of the coalbed methane well or coalbed methane well pipeline would unreasonably infringe on the surface owner's use of the surface. Note: This is only considered grounds to object, if a reasonable alternative site is available within the unit, and granting the objection will not materially impair any right contained in an agreement, valid at the time of the objection, between the surface owner and the operator or their predecessors or successors in interest.
- ☐ 5. If the surface owner is an interstate park commission, the location of the well or pipeline will unreasonably infringe on the surface owner's use of the surface, provided that a reasonable alternative site is available within the unit, and that granting the objection will not materially impair any right contained in an agreement, valid at the time of the objection, between the surface owner and the operator or their predecessors or successors in interest.

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*** Mineral Owner Objection:**

Check all of the following that apply

- ☐ 1. The work cannot be done safely with respect to persons engaged in mineral mining at or near the well site.
- ☐ 2. The well work is an unreasonable or arbitrary exercise of the well operator's right to explore for, market and produce oil and gas.
- ☐ 3 The drilling unit or drilling location is above or in close proximity to a mine opening or shaft, entry, travelway, airway, haulageway, drainageway or passageway, or to any proposed extension thereof, in any operated or abandoned or operating mineral mine, or in any mineral mine already surveyed and platted but not yet being operated.
- ☐ 4. The proposed drilling could be reasonably done through an existing or planned pillar, or in close proximity to an existing well or such pillar, taking into consideration the surface topography.

As you can see, if you choose more than one criteria as the basis for your objection, multiple subcategories will be displayed. You must choose at least one from each subcategory.

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Submit

Finally, you will press the 'Submit' button, and your objection will be sent to the Division of Gas and Oil.

What’s next?

- You will receive an email from the Division of Gas and Oil, when your objection has been reviewed.
- In that email, you will be notified as to whether your objection has been approved or denied.
- The operator will also receive notification of your objection and the basis for it.
- If you have any further questions, please contact the Division of Gas and Oil at 276-415-9700.