



Changes to Hydrocarbon Reserves Data File Format

TO: Industry

BACKGROUND:

The BC Oil and Gas Commission (Commission) houses detailed gas, oil, and by-product reserves files on the Commission website. These files summarize oil and gas reserves by field and pool in British Columbia, providing assurance of supply for investment, regulation and the development of policy.

Previously, the Commission provided these as fixed-width ASCII files with strict guidance on the width of each column.

The pending 2013 reserves and reservoir parameter files will be made available in comma separated value format (.csv) which improves the accessibility of the files. Furthermore, the requirement to download several code table files will be removed. The code table files will now be included in each primary reserve file.

A [User's Guide](#) is available on the [Annual Reserves Data](#) page of the Commission website to assist users with changes to the data files.

The 2013 Hydrocarbon and By-Product Reserves in British Columbia report will be made available online and will provide links to the new .csv files shortly. This notification allows for users with automated systems that consume these files an opportunity to update their systems in advance of the release of the data to avoid any issues.

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