

**Case No. 13061**  
**Chaparral/ Smith & Marrs**

**TIME LINE OF EVENTS**

- 8/2/00           OCD required Bristol Resources, Inc. to submit an abatement plan for water pollution apparently stemming from operation of the South Langlie Jal Unit by 10/2/00. **Exhibit 3**
- 9/15/00           Chaparral Oil, L.L.C. ("Chaparral") acquired the South Langlie Jal Unit at bankruptcy auction. **Exhibit 4**
- 10/1/00           Chaparral Oil, L.L.C. assumed operation of the South Langlie Jal Unit. **Exhibit 4**
- 10/31/00          OCD required Chaparral, as operator of the Unit, to file a Stage 1 Abatement Plan by 12/31/00. **Exhibit 5**
- 2/7/01            Chaparral, by email, acknowledged that it had purchased the property and suggested that a response to OCD would be forthcoming "by the end of February." **Exhibit 6**
- 3/12/01           OCD issued a NOTICE OF VIOLATION to Chaparral for their failure to file a Stage 1 Abatement Plan, and demanded filing by 3/26/01. **Exhibit 7**
- 3/23/01           Chaparral filed a proposed Stage I Abatement Plan without any indication of reservation of rights. **Exhibit 8**
- 6/13/01           OCD notified Chaparral of deficiencies in its proposed Stage I Abatement Plan, and required correction of deficiencies by 7/13/01. **Exhibit 9**
- 7/16/01           OCD granted extension of time to correct deficiencies till 7/27/01. **Exhibits 10 and 11**
- 8/22/01           Chaparral filed an amended Stage I Abatement Plan. **Exhibit 12**
- 9/7/01            OCD determined that Chaparral's Stage I Abatement Plan was administratively complete, and directed Chaparral to give the required notices. **Exhibit 13**
- 1/2/02            OCD required that Chaparral supply additional information, pertinent to its review/approval of the stage I Abatement Plan, by 2/2/02. **Exhibit 14**

2/22/02      OCD issued NOTICE OF VIOLATION due to Chaparral's failure to supply the information requested by letter of 1/2/02, by 3/1/02. **Exhibit 15**

2/28/02      Chaparral submitted another amended Stage I Abatement Plan. **Exhibits 16 and 20**

3/21/02      OCD notified Chaparral of deficiencies in its amended Stage I Abatement Plan, and required correction by 4/12/02. **Exhibit 17**

4/12/02      Chaparral submitted additional information and exhibits as requested. **Exhibits 18 and 21**

4/25/02      OCD approved Chaparral's amended Stage I Abatement Plan with conditions. *Condition No. 7 required submission of a report by 7/31/02.* **Exhibit 19**

7/9/02      Chaparral requested an extension of the time to implement its plan due to continuing negotiations with the surface owner regarding access. **Exhibit 23**

8/5/02      ***OCD granted Chaparral an extension of time to file its investigative report until 10/31/02. Exhibit 24***

11/7/02      Chaparral notified OCD of transfer of the South Langlie Jal Unit to "Ricky Smith Oil & Gas Corporation." **Exhibit 25**

11/13/02      Smith & Marrs, Inc. ("Smith & Marrs"), in a letter to Chaparral, stated that "Smith & Marrs, Inc. hereby agrees to be designated the responsible party who shall assume the responsibility to conduct the Stage 1 Abatement Plan and all other actions required by [Rule 19] . . ." **Exhibit 29**

1/13/03      OCD issued a NOTICE OF VIOLATION to Chaparral and Smith & Marrs for their failure to submit a Stage I report by 10/31/02, and notified them to file the required investigative report by 2/17/03. **Exhibit 30**

3/20/03      OCD filed the Application in this case.

7/15/03      The OCD's Application for enforcement came on for hearing, and OCD, Chaparral and Smith & Marrs agreed to a settlement under which Smith & Marrs assumed primary responsibility for completion of the approved Abatement Plan.

11/17/03      A Settlement Agreement was finalized between the parties, specifying that Smith & Marrs would file its investigative report not later than 90 days

after final execution of the Settlement Agreement, *i.e.*, on or before February 15, 2004. **Exhibit 31**

- 12/23/03      Smith & Marrs sent a letter to surface owner, Clay Osborn, requesting an access agreement. **Exhibit 33 (See also Exhibit 37).**
- 12/27/03      Osborn wrote to Smith & Marrs proposing a meeting. **Exhibit 34**
- 7/14/04      Smith & Marrs re-sent its 12/23/04 letter to Osborn. **Exhibits 33A, 33B, 33C and 35**
- 7/30/04      OCD filed its application to re-open this case to enforce the Settlement Agreement
- 9/2/04      OCD's application to re-open came on for hearing before examiner, William V. Jones.
- 1/28/05      The Division entered Order No. R-12280, ordering Smith & Marrs to file a Stage I Investigation Report with the Division by May 1, 2005, and assessing a penalty of \$197,000 for Smith & Marrs' past defaults.