## PROPOSED RULE 36.11(F),(G),(H)

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- the corporate surety, financial institution or amount of financial assurance, the operator shall file updated financial assurance documents on division-prescribed forms within 30 days. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if an operator makes other changes to its financial assurance documents, the division may require the operator to file updated financial assurance documents on division-prescribed forms within 45 days after notice to the operator from the division.
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H. Duty to report. Any operator who files for bankruptcy shall provide notice to the division, through the process provided for under the rules of the United States bankruptcy court, and the New Mexico attorney general.