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Severance Tax

Applicable Interest Rate for Certain Severance Tax Overpayments

Act 658 of the 2014 Regular Session enacted R.S. 47:1624.1, which changes the interest on a refund of an overpayment of severance tax to an operator whose well qualifies for the severance tax suspension pursuant to R.S. 47:633(7)(c)(iii) or (9)(d)(v) for new horizontal or deep wells.

Beginning June 18, 2014, the rate of interest shall be the U.S. Treasury Yield Curve Constant Maturity 6-Month Treasury rate on the first business day of October of the preceding year. If an overpayment is refunded after the one hundred eightieth day from the receipt of a properly filed claim for refund, the interest will be calculated using the applicable U.S. Treasury Yield Curve Constant Maturity 6-Month Treasury rate for the first 180 days and the judicial interest rate for each day in excess of 180.

The applicable interest rates for overpayments refunded between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2016 are the six-month rate of 0.08% for the first 180 days and the annual rate of 4.0% thereafter.

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