Ohio Revised Code
Section 3737.832 Fire and safety standards relating to shale oil processing premises.
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(A) As used in this section: (1)

"Natural gas processing facilities" means installations, including associated buildings, pipes, valves, tanks, and other equipment, used to separate various fluids, hydrocarbons, natural gas liquids, and impurities from the raw natural gas, manufacturing residue gas suitable for transmission and distribution to end users.

(2) "Natural gas liquids fractionation facilities" means installations, including associated buildings, pipes, valves, tanks, and other equipment, used for the separation of mixtures of light hydrocarbons or natural gas liquids into individual, purity natural gas liquid products, which include ethane, propane, normal butane, iso-butane, and natural gasolines.

(3) "Shale oil processing premise" means a single parcel or contiguous parcels of real estate, including any structures, facilities, appurtenances, equipment, devices, and activities thereon, where the processing of substances extracted from the Point Pleasant, Utica, and Marcellus formations occurs at a natural gas liquids fractionation or natural gas processing facility. "Shale oil processing premise" does not include a well pad or a production operation, as those terms are defined in section 1509.01 of the Revised Code, that is regulated under Chapter 1509. of the Revised Code.

(B) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Revised Code, the state fire marshal and the board of building standards shall have the exclusive authority to adopt fire safety standards relating to the construction at a shale oil processing premise of any structure subject to the nonresidential building codes established pursuant to section 3781.10 of the Revised Code. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Revised Code, the state fire marshal shall have the sole and exclusive authority to adopt all other fire safety standards relating to a shale oil processing premise. Any standards established by the state fire marshal under this section shall be part of the state fire code.
(C) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Revised Code, the state fire marshal shall have sole and exclusive authority to enforce all fire safety standards adopted pursuant to this section, any other fire safety standards existing in the state fire code that are applicable to shale oil processing premises, and any actions authorized by sections 3737.41 to 3737.51 of the Revised Code at a shale oil processing premise.

(D) The state fire marshal may establish and collect reasonable permit and inspection fees for the regulation of a shale oil processing premise.