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**Department of Environmental Quality
Office of the Secretary
Legal Division**

**Stakeholder Meeting for Discharges of Produced Water
to the Territorial Seas**

Authorization to discharge produced water in the territorial seas will require participation in an evaluation of the effects of produced water discharges on the environment and human health.

The LDEQ will conduct a stakeholder meeting on February 23, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. at LDEQ headquarters, Galvez Building, Room 1051, 602 N. 5th St. Baton Rouge, LA 70802 to accept input from all stakeholders regarding the protocols and requirements for an evaluation of the effects of produced water discharges on the environment and human health. The proposed permitting process and requirements may be found on the LDEQ's website at:
<http://www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/DIVISIONS/WaterPermits.aspx>.

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