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**TO:** Honorable Herb J. Wesson, Jr., Los Angeles City Council President  
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**FROM:** Uduak-Joe Ntuk, Petroleum Administrator  
Office of Petroleum and Natural Gas Administration & Safety

**SUBJECT: CF# 18-0203 – STATUS UPDATE ON ESTABLISHING AN  
ANNUAL CITYWIDE OIL WELL AND GAS FACILITIES  
COMPLIANCE INSPECTIONS PROGRAM**

On September 7, 2018, the City Council adopted the Energy, Climate Change and Environmental Justice Committee Report and Amending Motion 25A. The Council's action included a variety of instructions and also a request to the City Attorney's Office to prepare and present an Ordinance creating an Annual Oil Well and Gas Facilities Compliance Inspection Program.

The Office of Petroleum and Natural Gas Administration and Safety (OPGNAS) is in the process of executing a contract with MRS Environmental, Inc. (MRS) to assist in the development of the City's annual inspection program. MRS currently has a contract with Los Angeles County to, among other things, develop an oil and gas storage facilities inspection protocol for facilities in unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County. The OPGNAS is utilizing the County's competitive bidding process to retain the services of MRS Environmental for similar services. MRS will also provide the OPGNAS with proposed rules and regulations for the City's annual inspection program. Lastly, MRS will also recommend an annual fee schedule for cost recovery of the program.

MRS is expected to complete the 15 tasks assigned in the contract and furnish deliverables within six months. Upon conclusion of MRS's work, the OPNGAS will work with the City



Attorney's Office to prepare an ordinance using the proposed rules and regulations developed by MRS.

For questions regarding this report, please contact me at (213) 978-1697 or via e-mail at Uduak.ntuk@lacity.org

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