"Commission" shall mean the North Carolina Mining and Energy Commission. (§113.389, SL 2013-143)

“Department” shall mean the Department of Environmental and Natural Resources. (§113.389, SL 2013-143)

“Director” shall mean the Director of the Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources. (15NCAC 05D)

"Division" shall mean the Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources. (§113.389, SL 2013-143)

“Health Professional or” means a physician, physician’s assistant, industrial hygienist, toxicologist, epidemiologist, nurse, nurse practitioner. (Chemical Disclosure)

“Emergency Responder” such as emergency medical technician, fire fighter, law officer, public works employee, emergency manager, fire marshal, HAZMAT coordinator, technical specialist, incident commander, fire chief, or member of State Emergency Management who needs information in order to provide medical or other health services to command, plan, respond or recover from an event where evacuation, decontamination, sheltering in-place, or other actions that are needed for a person exposed to a chemical contained in an additive. (Chemical Disclosure)

“Landowner” means the person listed on the applicable county appraisal roll as owning the real property on which the relevant wellhead is located. (Chemical Disclosure)

"Lessee" shall mean the person entitled under an oil and gas lease to drill and operate wells. (§113.389, SL 2013-143)

"Lessor" shall mean the owner of subsurface oil or gas resources who has executed a lease and who is entitled to the payment of a royalty on production. (§113.389, SL 2013-143)

"Oil and gas developer or operator" or "developer or operator” means a person who acquires a lease for the purpose of conducting exploration for or extracting oil or gas. (§113.389)

"Oil and gas operations" or "activities" shall mean the exploration for or drilling of an oil and gas well that requires entry upon surface estate and the production operations directly related to the exploration or drilling. (§113.389)

“Operator” means the company that serves as the overall manager and decision maker of a drilling project. Generally, but not always, the operator will have the largest financial stake in the project.

"Owner" shall mean the person who has the right to drill into and to produce from any pool, and to appropriate the production either for himself or for himself and others. (§113.389)

"Person" shall mean any natural person, corporation, association, partnership, receiver, trustee, guardian, executor, administrator, fiduciary or representative of any kind. (§113.389)

"Producer" shall mean the owner of a well or wells capable of producing oil or gas, or both. (§113.389)

“Requestor” means a person who is eligible to request information claimed to be entitled to trade secret protection. (Chemical Disclosure)

“Service Company” means a company or person that performs hydraulic fracturing treatments on a well in this state. (Chemical Disclosure)

"Surface owner" means the person who holds record title to or has a purchaser's interest in the surface of real property. (§113.389)

“Vendor” means a company that sells or provides an additive for use in a hydraulic fracturing treatment. (Chemical Disclosure)