

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §22-6-4

§22-6-4. Review of findings and orders by director; special inspection; annulment, revision, etc., of order; notice.

(a) Any well operator, complaining coal operator, owner or lessee, if any, aggrieved by findings or an order made by an oil or gas inspector pursuant to section three of this article, may within fifteen days apply to the director for annulment or revision of such order. Upon receipt of such application the director shall make a special inspection of the well, well site or other oil and gas facility affected by such order, or cause two duly authorized oil and gas inspectors, other than the oil and gas inspector who made such order or the supervising inspector and one duly authorized oil and gas inspector other than the oil and gas inspector who made such order, to make such inspection of such well, or well site or other oil or gas facility and to report thereon to them. Upon making such special inspection, or upon receiving the report of such special inspection, as the case may be, the director shall make an order which shall include the director's findings and shall annul, revise or affirm the order of the oil and gas inspector.

(b) The director shall cause notice of each finding and order made under this section to be given promptly to the operator of the well, well site or other oil or gas facility to which such findings and order pertain, and the complainant under section three, if any.

(c) At any time while an order made pursuant to section three of this article is in effect, the operator of the well, well site or other oil or gas facility affected by such order may apply to the director for annulment or revision of such order. The director shall thereupon proceed to act upon such application in the manner provided in this section.

(d) In view of the urgent need for prompt decision of matters submitted to the director under this article, all actions which the director, or oil and gas inspectors or the supervising inspector are required to take under this article, shall be taken as rapidly as practicable, consistent with adequate consideration of the issues involved.