Department of Labor Targets Oil and Gas Industry for Wage-Hour Compliance

The U.S. Department of Labor recently announced the results of a 2014 enforcement initiative that focused on the oil and gas industry in New Mexico and west Texas, an effort that recovered more than $1.3 million owed to some 1,300 employees as a result of this investigation.

On its website, Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease said this is not the first DOL foray into wage-and-hour practices within the oil and gas industry. In December 2014, the DOL announced that employers engaged in natural gas extraction in the Marcellus Shale region of Pennsylvania and West Virginia agreed to pay $4,498,547 in back wages to 5,310 employees.

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