20181129150626 Filed Date: 11/29/2018 State Corporation Commission of Kansas

BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE SATE OF KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF	
American Energies Gas Service LLC for Author	rity
_	Docket No
To Cease Transacting the Business of Natural	Gas
Public Utility in a Portion of McPherson County,	, Kansas

APPLICATION TO CEASE SERVICE

Comes now, AMERICAN ENERGIES GAS SERVICE LLC and respectfully represents to the Commission that it operates natural gas lines in Kansas under authority of a Certificate granted to it on July 31, 2012 in Docket 12-AEGG-913-ACQ

- A. Our customer base receives their gas off of an incidental gas gathering system.
 - 1. Said applicant desires and herein seeks the approval of the Commission to discontinue service to 2 residential customers in McPherson Co, Ks. near the City of McPherson and to abandon approximately .23 mi of 3 & 4" Steel that was put in sometime in the 1960's but in the 1980's a new steel line was inserted thru the casing under the interstate in section 23, Twp 19S, Range 3W. The cost to replace this line is a very costly endeavor with an estimate of over \$35,000 which includes boring under I-135 interstate. One of the customers is Jeff Opat at 1644 Limestone, Rd., McPherson, Ks 67460 and he already converted to electric since he was in the process of replacing his furnace anyway. The second customer is Lance Engel at 1640 Limestone Rd, McPherson, Ks. 67460 and has converted to propane.

In section 26, Twp 19S, Range 3W approximately .39 mi of 4" steel that was put in the 1980's that serves these 2 residential customers and we have fixed several leaks on this line.

- American Energies Gas Service LLC has made personal contact with both customers informing them of the proposed abandonment and their options to connect to an alternative fuel source. Both were sent by certified mail, letters with an election form with 3 options to pick from. Jeff Opat and Lance Engel have signed the election form and selected to receive the money and have been paid.
- 3. That attached hereto and marked "Exhibit A" is a detailed map showing the above-described territory on Limestone Road.
- American Energies Gas Service LLC will cease natural gas service to both customers upon approval of this Application and the customer's conversion to an alternative source for their residences.

WHEREFORE, American Energies Gas Service LLC requests the Commission issue its Order allowing it to cease transacting the business of natural gas public utility to the two customers identified in #1 and in Exhibit "A".

Geoff Shafer 136 N. Main P O Box 516

Canton, Ks. 67428

Manager of American Energies Gas Service LLC

STATE OF KANSAS

COUNTY OF MCPHERSON

Geoff Shafer, of lawful age, being first duly sworn deposes and says that he is the Manager of American Energies Gas Service LLC, that he has read the Above and forgoing Application and that the statements therein contained are true According to his knowledge, information and belief.

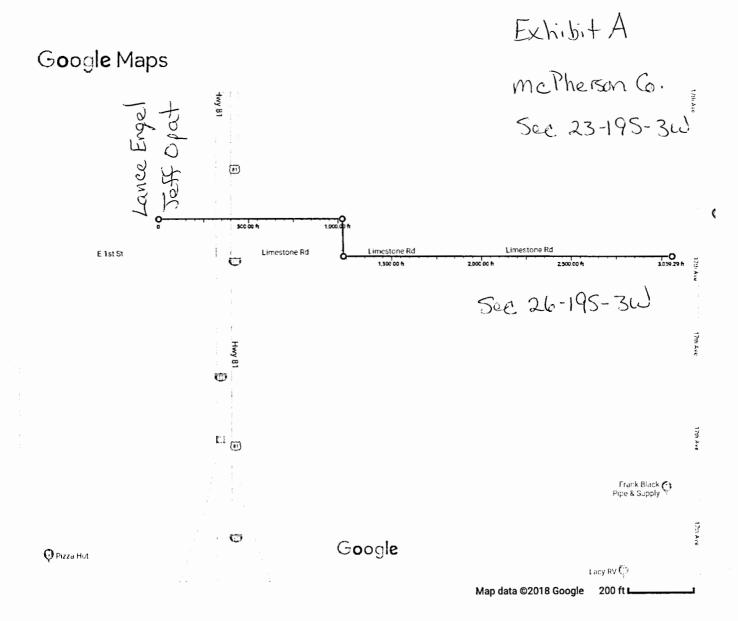
Geoff Shafer

Subscribed and sworn before me this 26 day of November, 2018

Notary Public Michelle Glahn

My Appointment Expires: 8-11-19

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September 12, 2018

Lance Engle 1640 Limestone Rd. McPherson, Ks. 67460

Subject: Conversion of Service to an alternate energy source

Dear Mr. Engle:

American Energies Gas Service LLC presently serves you through a natural gas steel main that has leaks. It is not economically feasible to replace this line and American Energies Gas Service LLC will seek permission from the Kansas Corporation Commission to abandon natural gas service for your residence. American Energies Gas Service LLC is offering to convert your residence to an alternate energy source (propane). This offer is subject to American Energies Gas Service LLC receiving permission from the Commission to abandon the existing main and natural gas service to your residence.

If you believe the offer is not satisfactory, you have the right to reject our offer and contact the Kansas Corporation Commission (1-800-662-0027) with your concerns. The abandonment conversion proposal from American Energies is as follows:

American Energies Gas Service LLC agrees to provide you a check for \$3,500 to pay for this conversion. We also agree to leave our line in service until October 31, 2018 to allow you time to complete the conversion process.

If you accept American Energies Gas Service LLC's offer, then in exchange for American Energies Gas Service LLC paying you for said conversion, you and any of your successors in interest to the referenced residence, agree to release, hold harmless and indemnify American Energies Gas Service LLC from all liabilities, injuries, damages, costs, expenses, losses or causes of action, whether incurred, sustained, or initiated by you or a third party, relating to or arising from or out of American Energies Gas Service LLC's disconnection of the natural gas service at the referenced residence or the installation or use of any form of energy at the above-referenced service address. You and your successors also agree not to object American Energies Gas Service LLC's application to the Commission to abandon service to the reference residence.

AMERICAN ENERGIES PIPELINE, LLC AMERICAN ENERGIES GAS SERVICE, LLC

ELECTION FORM

PLEASE MARK ONE

I choose to participate as follows:
Option (1). To accept the coordinated conversion option where American Energies Gas Service LLC will pay you \$3,500 to convert your home from natural gas to Propane. Note: you will receive a 1099 form from American Energies Gas Service LLC for tax purchases.
Option (2) To accept the coordinated conversion option where American Energies Gas Service LLC will pay up to \$3,500 to your contractor for installation of conversion at this residence.
Option (3) To decline American Energies Gas Service LLC's offer of a cash payment and offer of conversion and request a decision from the Kansas Corporation Commission regarding this process.
By: Lance Engle ENGLY
Service address: 1640 Limestone Rd. McPherson, Ks. 67460

Date: 10/1/12

AMERICAN ENERGIES GAS SERVICE, LLC

LANCE ENGEL 1640 LIMESTONE RD To:

MCPHERSON, KS 67460

Vendor Code **ENGLAN**

Check Date 10/09/2018

Check Amount \$3,500.00

Check Number

A-3818

Invoice # **CONVERSION 10/18** Invoice Amt 3,500.00

From: AMERICAN ENERGIES GAS SERVICE, LLC

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Three thousand five hundred dollars and no cents

DATE	AMOUNT	
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Pay to the Order of

LANCE ENGEL 1640 LIMESTONE RD MCPHERSON, KS 67460

Michael E. Montgomery, President

AMERICAN ENERGIES PIPELINE, LLC AMERICAN ENERGIES GAS SERVICE, LCC

September 12, 2018

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American Energies Gas Service LLC agrees to provide you a check for \$5,000 to pay for this conversion. We also agree to leave our line in service until October 31, 2018 to allow you time to complete the conversion process.

If you accept American Energies Gas Service LLC's offer, then in exchange for American Energies Gas Service LLC paying you for said conversion, you and any of your successors in interest to the referenced residence, agree to release, hold harmless and indemnify American Energies Gas Service LLC from all liabilities, injuries, damages, costs, expenses, losses or causes of action, whether incurred, sustained, or initiated by you or a third party, relating to or arising from or out of American Energies Gas Service LLC's disconnection of the natural gas service at the referenced residence or the installation or use of any form of energy at the above-referenced service address. You and your successors also agree not to object American Energies Gas Service LLC's application to the Commission to abandon service to the reference residence.

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Service address: 1644 Limestone Rd.

McPherson, Ks. 67460

Date: 17- September -2018

From: AMERICAN ENERGIES GAS SERVICE, LLC

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To: JEFF OPAT 1644 LIMESTONE RD

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From: AMERICAN ENERGIES GAS SERVICE, LLC

To: **JEFF OPAT**

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Five thousand dollars and no cents

DATE	AMOUNT
09/21/2018	\$**5,000.00*

Pay to the Order of

JEFF OPAT

1644 LIMESTONE RD MCPHERSON, KS 67460 Michael E. Montgomery, President

AMERICAN ENERGIES PIPELINE, LLC AMERICAN ENERGIES GAS SERVICE, LCC

November 26, 2018

Kansas Corporation Commission 1500 SW Arrowhead Rd Topeka, Ks. 66604-4027 Attn: Amber Smith & Jeff McClanahan

Subject: Conversion of Service to an alternate energy source

Dear KCC:

American Energies Gas Service LLC is seeking permission from the Kansas Corporation Commission to abandon a portion of our incidental gas gathering pipeline in McPherson Co. that delivers gas to 2 rural customers.

Attached are the documents backing up our request.

- 1. Signed Application to Cease Service
- 2. Letter and Election Forms sent Certified Return Receipt requested to Lance Engel and Jeff Opat.
- 3. Signed Election Forms by Lance Engel & Jeff Opat
- 4. Copy of checks for Lance Engel & Jeff Opat
- 5. Exhibit A-Map of area to abandon

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. If you need anything else, please advise.

Sincerely,

American Energies Gas Service LLC

Geoff Shafer