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## BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the matter of the Application of Thresher	)	Docket No.: 25-CONS-3375-CEXC
Energy, Inc. for an exception to the 10-year	)	
time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for its	)	CONSERVATION DIVISION
Girod #1 well located in the NW/4 NW/4	)	
NW/4 of Section 17, Township 32 South,	)	License No.: 35820
Range 7 East, Cowley County, Kansas.	)	

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION ON APPLICATION**

Staff of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Staff and Commission, respectively) hereby files this recommendation concerning the First Amended Application filed by Thresher Energy, Inc. (Operator) on July 22, 2025. In support of this recommendation, Staff states as follows:

- 1. On May 14, 2025, Operator filed an Application for an exception to the 10-year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for its Girod #1 well. Operator subsequently filed an Affidavit of Publication from The Wichita Eagle on May 21, 2025, and an Affidavit of Publication from the Cowley Courier Traveler on May 29, 2025.
- 2. On May 30, 2025, the James V. & Misti A. Wallingford Revocable Trust (Protester) timely filed a Notice of Protest opposing Operator's Application. The Commission filed an Order Designating Presiding Officer and Setting Prehearing Conference on June 12, 2025. The order scheduled a prehearing conference for June 26, 2025.
- 3. The Protester did not appear at the prehearing conference; consequently, the Presiding Officer filed a proposed default order on June 26, 2025.<sup>3</sup> The Protester did not respond to the proposed default order.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Application (May 14, 2025).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Order Designating Presiding Officer and Setting Prehearing Conference, Ordering Clause B (Jun. 12, 2025).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Presiding Officer Proposed Default Order (Jun. 26, 2025).

4. On July 22, 2025, Operator filed its First Amended Application. The amended application contains additional information on Operator's future plans for the Girod #1 well,<sup>4</sup> but does not materially alter the Application filed on May 14, 2025.

5. Staff has had an opportunity to review Operator's First Amended Application.

Staff believes Operator has provided sufficient evidence to support an administrative grant of Operator's First Amended Application.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully recommends the Commission grant Operator's First Amended Application.

Respectfully Submitted,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See, e.g., First Amended Application, ¶ 9 (Jul. 22, 2025).

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true and correct copy of the attached Motion has been served to the following by means of electronic service on July 28, 2025.

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