## THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:

Shari Feist Albrecht, Chair

Jay Scott Emler Pat Apple

In the matter of the failure of A & L Energy	)	Docket No.: 16-CONS-566-CPEN
Operations LLC to comply with K.A.R. 82-3-	)	
603 at the Thoren Lease in Douglas County,	)	CONSERVATION DIVISION
Kansas.	)	
	)	License No.: 34648

# MOTION FOR THE COMMISSION TO ADOPT A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Commission Staff moves for the Commission to adopt and approve the attached Settlement Agreement, which has been signed by both parties. Staff notes that if the Commission approves the Settlement Agreement, then the evidentiary hearing currently scheduled for March 17, 2016, will no longer be necessary. Staff believes that the Settlement Agreement represents a fair manner of resolving the issues described therein.

Respectfully submitted,

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### SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This Agreement is between A & L Energy Operations LLC ("Operator") (License #34648) and Commission Staff ("Staff"). If the Commission does not approve this Agreement by a signed order, then this Agreement shall not be binding on either party. This Agreement shall settle the proceedings in Commission Docket Number 16-CONS-566-CPEN.

#### A. Background

1. On October 13, 2015, the Commission issued a Penalty Order requiring Operator to pay \$7,500 for six violations of K.A.R. 82-3-603(d) and six violations of K.A.R. 82-3-603(e). Operator timely appealed, but admits to the violations and requests a payment plan. All other issues in this docket have been resolved, and Staff finds a settlement to be acceptable.

#### B. Terms of Agreement

- 2. Of the \$7,500 owed, Operator shall pay \$1,500 by January 31, 2016; \$1,500 by February 29, 2016; \$1,500 by March 30, 2016, \$1,500 by April 30, 2016, and the remaining \$1,500 by May 30, 2016.
- 3. If Operator fails to comply with any deadline in Paragraph 2, then Staff shall suspend Operator's license until compliance is obtained. Operator agrees to waive any suspension of Operator's license implemented by Commission Staff due to Operator's failure to comply with this Settlement Agreement.
  - 4. Operator hereby withdraws its appeal of the Penalty Order in this docket.

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## C. Conclusion

Both parties believe this Agreement fairly resolves the matters at issue.

Commission Staff	A & L Energy Operations LLC
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Title: LITEGATION COUNSEL	Title: Director at Managing Member
Date: 12 /21/15	Date: 16c-21-2015

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on
A & L Energy Operations LLC c/o Tali Michael IDH Group 575 Madison Avenue 22 <sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, New York 10022
And delivered by hand to:
Lane Palmateer Conservation Division Central Office

Paula Murray

Legal Assistant Kansas Corporation Commission