BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of the Application of Merit)Energy Company, LLC, for an Order)Authorizing the Unitization and Unit)Operation of the Farmers Ditch Unit to be)located in Finney County, Kansas)

Docket No. 24-CONS-3390-CUNI

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I, Lori Sibley, of lawful age, being duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that I am the Agent of Garden City Telegram, a publication that is a "legal newspaper" as that phrase is defined for the city of Garden City, for the County of Finney, in the state of Kansas, that this affidavit is Page 1 of 2 with the full text of the sworn-to notice set forth on the pages that follow, and that the attachment hereto contains the correct copy of what was published in said legal newspaper in consecutive issues on the following dates:

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TO: ALL OIL AND GAS OPERATORS, PRODUCERS AND LESSEES, OIL AND GAS LESSORS AND ROYALTY OWN-ERS, MINERAL INTEREST OWNERS, LANDOWNERS, OVERRIDING ROY-ALTY INTEREST OWNERS, OTHER OWNERS OF OIL AND GAS INTER-ESTS, MORTGAGEES OF OIL AND GAS INTERESTS, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CONCERNED:

You and each of you are hereby notified that Merit Energy Company, LLC ("Merit") has filed an Application with the Kansas Corporation Commission ("Commission") pursuant to K.S.A. 55-1301, et seq., seeking an order authorizing the unitization and unit operation of the Farmers Ditch Unit ("Unit"). The area of the proposed Unit, which will be operated by Merit, includes the E/2 and NW/4 of Section 31 Township 23 South, Range 33 West, Finney County, Kansas.

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Merit proposes to unitize the oil and gas rights to a pool within the Morrow and Chester formations beneath the area of the Unit, which is described as the stratigraphic equivalent of the top of the Morrow shale found at a measured depth of 4,660' to the top of the St. Genevieve formation found at a measured depth of 4,754' as shown in the well logs for the Larson 1-731 well (API No. 15-055-21744), located approximately 2,435' FNL and 2,150' FEL in Section 31-T23S-R33W. Merit intends to conduct a secondary recovery waterflood operation within said pool in order to increase the recovery of oil reserves, and will allocate such production from the Unit across two tracts within the Unit on a fair, reasonable and equitable basis. The Application is pending with the Commission. Any persons who object or protest to the granting of the Application shall be required to file their objections or protests in writing with the Commission within 15 days after the date of this publication. If a written protest is not timely filed, the Application may be determined administratively by the Commission and may thereby be granted without hearing or further notice to any interested party. All objections and protests shall clearly state the reasons why granting the Application will violate correlative rights, cause waste, or pollute water resources. Objections or

protests shall be mailed to the Kansas Corporation Commission, Conservation Division, 266 N. Main St., Ste. 220, Wichita, KS 67202, with a copy to Merit's attorneys listed below. All parties in any way interested or concerned shall take notice of the foregoing and govern themselves accordingly. Jonathan A. Schlatter, #24848 MORRIS LAING LAW FIRM 300 N. Mead, Suite 200 Wichita, KS 67202-2745 Office (316) 262-2671 Fax (316) 262-6226 Attomeys for Merit Energy Company, LLC Published in Garden City Telegram June 27, 2024.

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