## THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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# MOTION FOR THE DESIGNATION OF A PREHEARING OFFICER AND THE SCHEDULING OF A PREHEARING CONFERENCE

The Staff of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas ("Staff" and "Commission," respectively) files this Motion seeking the designation of a prehearing officer and scheduling a prehearing conference in this matter. In support of its motion, Staff states as follows:

#### I. Background

- 1. On August 21, 2017, Operator filed an application for an exception to the 10-year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for its Sunley A #1 well.
- 2. On September 25, 2017, Operator provided an affidavit of publication of notice in the Wichita Eagle and the Meade County News.

#### II. Argument

3. On October 5, 2017, Staff sent a letter to Operator requesting a successful, Staffwitnessed casing integrity test be conducted on the Sunley A #1 by October 26, 2017, but to date such a test has not been conducted. Staff will not recommend approval of Operator's application without the Sunley A #1 passing a Staff-witnessed casing integrity test. This and other potential

issues with Operator's application cause Staff to not recommend approval of Operator's application at this time.

#### III. Conclusion

4. Based upon the above, Staff does not recommend approval of Operator's application at this time, and believes it would be appropriate for this matter to be set for an evidentiary hearing.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons described above, Staff respectfully requests an Order designating a prehearing officer and scheduling a prehearing conference, in anticipation of an evidentiary hearing where Staff may recommend denial of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **VERIFICATION**

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COUNTY OF SEDGWICK	)

Jonathan R. Myers, of lawful age, being duly sworn upon his oath deposes and states that he is Litigation Counsel for the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas; that he has read and is familiar with the foregoing *Motion*, and attests that the statements therein are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

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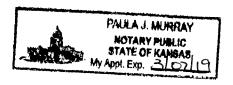
State Corporation Commission

of the State of Kansas

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 22 day of 2017.

Notary Public

My Appointment Expires: 3/07/19



## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on	12	199	17	, I caused a complete and accurate copy
of this Motion to be served via	a Uni	ted Stat	tes mail,	, with the postage prepaid and properly
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