# THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:

Pat Apple, Chairman Shari Feist Albrecht

Jay Scott Emler

In the matter of the application of Berexco	)	Docket No. 17-CONS- 3643 -CEXC
LLC for an exception to the 10-year	)	
time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for its	)	
Chaff #7 WIW well located in	)	CONSERVATION DIVISION
the SW NW SW of Sec 21, T16S, R21W	)	
Ness County, Kansas.	)	
	)	License No.: 34318

#### **APPLICATION**

COMES NOW Berexco LLC ("Operator") for its application in the captioned matter states as follows:

- 1. Operator is a limited liability company authorized to do business in the State of Kansas. Operator's address is 2020 North Bramblewood, Wichita, Kansas 67206.
- 2. Operator has been issued by the Kansas Corporation Commission Operator's License #34318, which expires on October 30, 2017.
- 3. Operator is the operator of the Chaff #7 WIW well, API #15-135-23048-0001 which is located in the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 21, Township 16 South, Range 21 West, Ness County, Kansas. The subject well is located on an active oil and gas lease comprising the following lands:

The East Half of Section 20, and

The Southwest Quarter of Section 21,

All in Township 16 South, Range 21 West, Ness County, Kansas.

- 4. Pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-111, Operator obtained temporary abandonment status for the Chaff #7 WIW effective May 1, 2003. The subject well has maintained such status from May 2003 to the present date.
- 5. K.A.R. 82-3-111 imposes a 10-year limitation on the amount of time during which wells may be temporarily abandoned, but an exception to the 10-year limitation may be obtained pursuant to said regulations through an application filed with the Commission pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-100. Operator seeks such an exception.
- 6. The subject well demonstrated mechanical integrity as evidenced by passage of Commission Staff-witnessed mechanical integrity test on or about April 20, 2017.
- 7. Operator is keeping the subject well for potential reinjection of water into the Cherokee zone. The subject well should not be plugged to prevent economic waste associated with re-drilling for future needs as an injection well. Estimated cost to plug this well is \$20,000. The cost to restore the well to injection capability is estimated to be \$40,000. Production from the Chaff Unit is around 2 BOPD with potential reserves estimated at 5,000 barrels of oil.
- 8. Operator has included a plat map showing the locations of all producing, injection, saltwater disposal, temporarily abandoned, and plugged wells located on the same leased premises as the subject well. There is one active producing well and one temporarily abandoned injection well (the subject well) on the unit.
- 9. Based on the foregoing, Operator requests the Commission grant an exception to the 10-year limitation, specifically to allow the subject well to remain eligible for temporary abandonment status for the three (3) years following the expiration of the 10-year limitation.

Operator understands that the exception would be valid for three (3) years, but Operator would still need to apply annually to the Conservation Division District Office for approval of an application for temporary abandonment status.

- 10. Listed in the attached Exhibit "A" are the names and addresses of the following persons:
  - A. Each operator of each oil and gas lease covering lands within one-half (1/2) mile radius of the subject well; and
  - B. Each person who owns any mineral interest of record in and under any lands located within one-half (1/2) mile radius of the subject well (provided that such mineral interest is not covered by any oil and gas lease).
- 11. Notice of this application has been published pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-135a. In addition, notice of the hearing to be held in this matter will be provided as prescribed by K.A.R. 82-3-135.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that this matter be granted administratively without a hearing, or in the alternative be set for hearing, and upon hearing that the Commission grant Applicant's request, for an exception to the K.A.R. 82-3-111 ten (10) year limitation, to allow the subject well to remain temporarily abandoned for three (3) years, subject to annual approval by the Conservation Division District Office of an application for temporary abandonment status.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew J. Moore 2020 N. Bramblewood Wichita, KS 67206 316-265-3311 Fax #316-681-4712

By: Chull Mun-Signature of Submitter

4/28/17

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify on this 28 day of April, 2017, true and correct copies of the attached Notice of Filing Application were served by depositing copies of the same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each of the unleased mineral owner(s) and operator(s) set forth in Exhibit "A" attached to said Application filed by Operator, and the above and foregoing original Application was uploaded to the Kansas Corporation Commission via E-filing Express to a new docket.

Andrew J. Moore aud Shum Name of Signed

#### **EXHIBIT A**

## **Chaff #7 WIW Notice Area**

# **Operator** – E/2 Sec. 20 and SW/4 Sec. 21-16S-21W

Berexco LLC 2020 N. Bramblewood Wichita, KS 67206

## <u>Unleased mineral owner - N/2 Sec. 21-16S-21W</u>

Theryon E. Rowe 705 E. Cedar St. Ness City, KS 67560-1744

## <u>Unleased mineral owner – SE/4 Sec. 21-16S-21W</u>

Dennis & Silvia Gottschalk 2239 Avenue J LaCrosse, KS 67548

## Unleased mineral owner - NW/4 Sec. 28-16S-21W

North Family Trust 306 E. Cedar Ness City, KS 67560

# <u>Unleased mineral owner - NE/4 Sec. 29-16S-21W</u>

North Family Trust AS ABOVE

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