

THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners: Jay Scott Emler, Chairman
Shari Feist Albrecht
Pat Apple

In the Matter of a General Investigation into) Docket No.: 17-CONS-3362-CINV
Potential Commission Rulemaking)
Regarding Responsibility for Abandoned) CONSERVATION DIVISION
Wells.)

PETITION TO INTERVENE
OF THE
WICHITA ASSOCIATION OF PETROLEUM LANDMEN

COMES NOW, the Wichita Association of Petroleum Landmen (WAPL), and petitions to intervene in the above-captioned matter, pursuant to K.A.R. 82-1-225. In support of its intervention, WAPL states the following:

1. WAPL is the non-profit local affiliate of the American Association of Petroleum Landmen (AAPL), an organization of over 18,000 landman members, with 44 local affiliate organizations throughout the United States. The AAPL's mission is to promote the highest standards of performance for all land professionals, and to advance their stature and to encourage sound and ethical stewardship of energy and mineral resources. WAPL has 84 member landmen, many of whom employ additional individuals who also work as landmen throughout the state of Kansas.
2. The interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings will not be impaired by allowing this intervention. Since the inception of this docket, WAPL has participated in accordance with the Commission's instructions for said participation. Specifically, WAPL timely notified the Commission of its intent to appear at the November 30, 2016, roundtable; WAPL did appear and gave testimony at that roundtable; and then submitted a written statement to the Commission on December 14, 2016, in accordance with the Commission's instructions given to the parties at the roundtable.

3. WAPL then figured prominently in the Commission Staff's May 31, 2017, Report and Recommendation to the Commission, which Report and Recommendation took an adversarial position against the interests represented by WAPL.
5. Notwithstanding WAPL's participation in the docket, the unique interests WAPL represents; and the validation in the Staff's Report and Recommendation of the significance of those interests to the discussion, WAPL has not been served, notified of, or provided a courtesy copy of certain subsequent filings in the docket, including the May 31, 2017, Report and Recommendation. WAPL learned of the May 31 filing via word of mouth.
6. The collective interests represented by WAPL will be substantially and irreparably harmed if WAPL misses out on further activity in this docket due to lack of notice. Accordingly, for purposes of receiving timely notification and the corresponding ability to continue to effectively represent its membership and their profession in this matter, WAPL requests intervenor status.

BASED ON THE FOREGOING, Wichita Association of Petroleum Landmen, requests an order granting its request to intervene in this docket; specifically confirming WAPL's right to participate in further proceedings, and as such, to be added to the list of parties to be served with filings and notices entered in this docket, and for such other and further relief as the Commission may deem just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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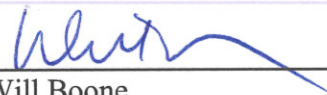
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VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS)
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Will Boone, of lawful age and being first duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and states:

That he is the President for the Intervenor, Wichita Association of Petroleum Landmen, in the above-captioned docket; that he has read the above and foregoing, knows and understands the contents thereof, and states that the statements and allegations therein contained are true and correct according to his knowledge, information, and belief.

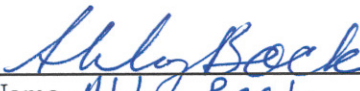


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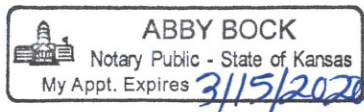
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me, the undersigned authority, this 8th day of June, 2017.

My commission expires:

3/15/2020



Name Abby Bock
Notary Public



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that, on this 8th day of **June, 2017**, she caused the above and foregoing **Petition to Intervene** to be filed with the Kansas Corporation Commission, Conservation Division, in accordance with the Commission's e-filing rules, and that she caused a true and correct copy of the same to be served via US Mail, postage prepaid, or by email where indicated, to the following persons at the addresses shown:

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