

**THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

Before Commissioners: Andrew J. French, Chairperson
 Dwight D. Keen
 Annie Kuether

In the matter of the application of Thresher Energy,) Docket No: 25-CONS-3375-CEXC
Inc. for an exception to the 10-year time limitation)
of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for its Girod #1 well located in) CONSERVATION DIVISION
the NW/NW/NW of Section 17, Township 32)
South, Range 7 East, Cowley County, Kansas.) License No: 35820

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION

The Commission rules as follows:

I. JURISDICTION

1. K.S.A. 74-623 provides the Commission exclusive jurisdiction and authority to regulate oil and gas activities in Kansas. K.A.R. 82-3-100 provides that the Commission may grant an exception to any regulation after application and notice, and after considering whether the exception will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and prevent pollution.

2. K.A.R. 82-3-111 requires wells that are inactive for more than 90 days, or in some circumstances more than 364 days, to be plugged or approved for temporary abandonment (TA) status. Under K.A.R. 82-3-111(b), a well shall not be eligible TA status if it has been shut-in for ten or more years, unless the Commission has granted an application for a regulatory exception.

II. FINDINGS OF FACT

3. Thresher Energy, Inc. (Operator) is licensed to conduct oil and gas activities in Kansas and is responsible for the captioned well.¹ On May 14, 2025, Operator filed an Application requesting an exception to the 10-year limit on TA status for the captioned well.

¹ API #15-035-24553.

4. On May 30, 2025, the James V. and Misti A. Wallingford Revocable Trust (Trust) filed a protest. On June 12, 2025, the Commission designated a presiding officer and set a June 26, 2025, prehearing conference. The Trust failed to attend the prehearing conference.

5. On June 26, the Presiding Officer issued a proposed default order against the Trust for its failure to attend the prehearing conference; the Trust did not respond.

6. On July 22, 2025, Operator filed a First Amended Application, which contains additional information regarding Operator's plans for the captioned well. Although the First Amended Application supplants the May 14, 2025, Application, it does not materially change the nature of Operator's request. On July 28, 2025, Staff filed a recommendation that the Commission grant Operator's First Amended Application.

7. The Commission finds Operator served and published notice of this matter at least 15 days before the issuance of this Order, as required under K.A.R. 82-3-135a. The Commission also finds the reasons articulated in Operator's First Amended Application and the results of the casing integrity test are sufficient to support the administrative grant of the application.

III. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

8. The Commission has jurisdiction over Operator and this matter. Operator's application was filed in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Commission and in accordance with Kansas statutes. Operator properly served and published notice.

9. Operator's application should be granted. Operator has demonstrated a potential future use for the captioned well that is preventative of waste. There is no apparent present pollution threat, and correlative rights will not be affected.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. Operator's application (as amended) for an exception to the 10-year limit on TA status for the Subject Well is granted for three years, calculated from May 14, 2025.

B. Operator must file an annual TA form for the Subject Well. The first TA form shall be filed within 30 days.

C. Operator's application (as amended) is being granted via summary proceedings; thus, this Order does not take effect until after the time for requesting a hearing has expired.² Any party may request a hearing on the above issues by submitting a written request setting forth the specific grounds upon which relief is sought, to the Commission at 266 N. Main, Suite 220, Wichita, Kansas 67202, within 15 days from the date of service of this Order.³ If a hearing is not requested, then this Order shall become effective upon expiration of the time for requesting hearing.⁴ If this Order becomes effective, then any party may file and serve a petition for reconsideration pursuant to the requirements and time limits established by K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).⁵

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

French, Chairperson; Keen, Commissioner; Kuether, Commissioner

Dated: 07/31/2025



Celeste Chaney-Tucker
Executive Director

Mailed Date: 07/31/2025

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² See K.S.A. 77-537.

³ See K.S.A. 77-542.

⁴ See K.S.A. 77-537.

⁵ See K.S.A. 55-606; K.S.A. 77-503(c); K.S.A. 77-531(b).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following by means of electronic service on 07/31/2025.

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