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

Before Commissioners:

Shari Feist Albrecht, Chair Jay Scott Emler Dwight D. Keen

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In the Matter of the Application of Vulcan) Resources, LLC to Authorize Injection of Saltwater into the Squirrel formation at the) Hatch #I-1 well, located in Section 2,) Township 22 South, Range 13 East, Coffey) County, Kansas.

Docket No: 19-CONS-3206-CUIC

CONSERVATION DIVISION

License No: 35601

ORDER DESIGNATING PREHEARING OFFICER AND SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission). Having examined its files and records, and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission finds the following:

1. On November 30, 2018, Vulcan Resources, LLC (Operator) filed an Application requesting authorization to inject saltwater into the Squirrel formation at the Hatch #I-1 well located in Coffey County, Kansas.¹

2. On December 13, 2018, Susan Royd-Sykes filed a letter protesting the Application.²

On December 18, 2018, Ms. Royd-Sykes requested a hearing.³

3. The Commission finds that a Prehearing Officer should be designated in this proceeding to address any matters listed in K.S.A. 77-517(b), and a Prehearing Conference should be scheduled.

4. Although a Prehearing Officer is designated, parties are still required to file pleadings with the Commission, and filings shall be made with the Commission's Docket Room before 5:00

¹ Application (Nov. 30, 2018).

^{2} Letter of Protest (Dec. 13, 2018).

³ Letter Requesting Hearing (Dec. 18, 2018).

p.m. on the date scheduled for service. Any electronic service received after the deadline set forth in the procedural schedule, or any filing made after 5:00 p.m. on the date scheduled for service, shall be accompanied by a Motion to File Out-of-Time.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. The Prehearing Officer in this proceeding shall be Michael J. Duenes, Assistant General Counsel, Kansas Corporation Commission, 1500 SW Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas, 66604-4027, telephone number (785) 271-3181, email address <u>m.duenes@kcc.ks.gov</u>. The Commission may designate other Staff members to serve in this capacity. <u>The Commission directs electronic service</u> <u>of all filings in the docket to include service on the Prehearing Officer and mailed service of all filings to be directed to the Prehearing Officer's attention.</u>

B. A Prehearing Conference is scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 2019 at 9:15 a.m.
by telephone. The conference call information is: telephone number (866) 620-7326, Conference
Code PIN: 7632914771#.

C. At the Prehearing Conference, parties shall be prepared to discuss deadlines for filing testimony and briefs, discovery procedures, scheduling of a hearing with the Commission, and any other issues that will promote the orderly and prompt resolution of this proceeding.

D. At the Prehearing Conference, without further notice, this proceeding may be converted into a conference hearing or a summary proceeding for disposition of this matter as provided by the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act (KAPA). Any party that fails to attend or participate in the Prehearing Conference, hearing, or other stage of this proceeding may be held in default under the KAPA.⁴

⁴ K.S.A. 77-506; K.S.A. 77-516(c)(7)-(8).

- E. A corporation shall appear before the Commission by a Kansas licensed attorney.⁵
- F. The attorney designated to appear on behalf of the agency in this proceeding is Lauren

Wright, Litigation Counsel, telephone number (316) 337-6200, <u>l.wright@kcc.ks.gov</u>.

G. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it may deem necessary.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Albrecht, Chair; Emler, Commissioner; Keen, Commissioner

Dated: _____01/08/19

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Lynn M. Retz Secretary to the Commission

Mailed Date: 01/09/19

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⁵ K.S.A. 77-515(c); K.A.R. 82-1-228(d)(2).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, certify that the true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following parties by means of

first class mail and electronic service on _____01/08/19

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