

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

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

In the Matter of an Order to Show Cause) Docket No. 17-CONS-3211-CSHO
issued to NASA Salvage & Oil (“Operator”))
regarding responsibility under K.S.A. 55-179 for) CONSERVATION DIVISION
unplugged wells on an expired license.)
) License No. 32017

PREHEARING OFFICER ORDER

CANCELING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and decision. The Commission has designated Samuel Feather, Deputy General Counsel, to act as Prehearing Officer in this proceeding.¹ Having reviewed the files and records, and being duly advised, the Prehearing Officer makes the following findings:

1. On January 12, 2017, the Commission issued an order directing the Operator to show cause why the Operator was not responsible for the plugging of the well identified as the Sturgeon 1² located in 26-19S-9W, N2 NW SW in Rice County, Kansas.
2. On April 6, 2016, an Order Continuing Prehearing Conference was issued by the Prehearing Officer. That order scheduled a prehearing conference for May 4, 2017.
3. On May 3, 2017, Commission Staff (Staff) filed a Motion to Cancel the Prehearing Conference and Close Docket. Staff stated, “[b]ased upon conversations with Operator and other individuals, and a full review of Commission files, Staff currently believes it is more likely than not that Operator is not responsible for the well in question.” Consequently, Staff requested that the prehearing conference be cancelled and the docket be closed.


¹ Order Designating Prehearing Officer, May 2, 2017.

² API Well # 15-159-20496-00-00

THEREFORE, THE PREHEARING OFFICER ORDERS:

- A. The prehearing conference scheduled for May 4, 2017 is cancelled.
- B. The parties have 15 days from the date of service of this Order to petition for reconsideration.³
- C. The Commission retains the jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it deems necessary.

Dated: May 3, 2017



Samuel Feather, Deputy General Counsel
Prehearing Officer

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³ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that she caused a complete and accurate copy of the Prehearing Officer Order Canceling Prehearing Conference to be served via U.S. Mail and/or via electronic service on the 3rd day of May, 2017, to the following:

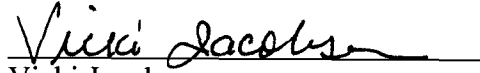
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