THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:

Shari Feist Albrecht, Chair

Jay Scott Emler

Pat Apple

In the matter of the failure of Raney Oil)	Docket No. 16-CONS-145-CPEN
Company, LLC ("Operator") to comply)	
with K.A.R. 82-3-111 at the Cully #4-20)	CONSERVATION DIVISION
in Sumner County, Kansas)	
• •	ĺ	License No · 32705

REQUEST FOR HEARING

Raney Oil Company, LLC, ("Raney") described as the "Operator" in the Penalty Order issued in this docket, requests a hearing in this docket. In support of this request, Raney submits the following:

1. This matter has a tortured history. In the most simplified fashion possible, Raney agreed to acquire the Cully lease along with two other leases from AGV Corporation, the prior operator. That transaction has resulted in a lawsuit between Raney, its working interest owners in the Cully lease and others that were the subject of the sale, and AGV Corporation. In that lawsuit, Raney and the other plaintiffs complain that AGV Corporation misrepresented the condition of this lease and others, and as part of that misrepresentation, filed a Change of Operator form that was not actually approved by Raney. Until KCC Staff began inquiring about the Cully 4-20 well, Raney was unaware that the Commission had accepted and approved a Change of Operator form over one year after the transaction closed although Raney had provided AGV Corporation with a completed Change of Operator form at the time of the closing, that was apparently never submitted to this Commission.

- 2. The undersigned, and Tom Raney, have had numerous conversations with representatives of the Commission Staff and had indicated that there were complications due to the litigation and that until it was clear that the expense of plugging this well could be included in the claims plaintiffs assert in the lawsuit, Raney was unwilling to plug the Cully 4-20 well.
- 3. As it turns out, a plugging application was filed by Raney the very day that the Penalty Order was issued. A copy of the Well Plugging Application and the Commission Staff's response letter is attached as **Exhibit A.** At no time prior to submission of the plugging application by Raney, had Raney or the undersigned been advised that a Penalty Order was forthcoming, and Raney and the undersigned have done their best to explain to the Commission Staff that this well would be plugged in due course once it was clear that the expense of plugging could be claimed in the lawsuit. As soon as that became clear to Raney and its counsel, the plugging application was filed.
- 4. Because of the unique nature of these circumstances, and because the Cully 4-20 well has been properly plugged, and Raney has further investigated the status of an additional well on the Cully lease, Raney requests that the penalty assessed in this docket be rescinded, or alternatively, that this matter be set for hearing so that Raney can have a forum to explain the circumstances involved in the plugging of this well. This well had been unplugged for a lengthy period of time and at no time did Raney or the undersigned receive any indication from the Commission Staff that this Penalty Order was forthcoming, or the plugging application could and would have been filed sooner.

WHEREFORE, Raney Oil Company, LLC, requests that the penalty be rescinded in its entirety, or alternatively, requests a hearing in this matter so Raney can explain the circumstances surrounding the plugging of this well.

Respectfully submitted, MARTIN, PRINGLE, OLIVER, WALLACE & BAUER, L.L.P.

By:

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF SEDGWICK)

Jeff Kennedy of lawful age and being first duly sworn, on oath, deposes and states:

That Jeff Kennedy, counsel for Raney Oil Company, LLC, has read the above and foregoing Request for Hearing and that the statements and averments contained therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Jeff Kenned

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 28 day of August
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2015.

Notary Public

My appointment expires:

BRENDA PRIEKSAT

Notary Public - State of Kansas

My Appt. Expires 3-16-16

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on the <u>28</u> day of <u>August</u>, 2015, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Request for Hearing was mailed via US Postal Service to:

Jonathan R. Myers Litigation Counsel Kansas Corporation Commission 266 N Main St Ste. 220 Wichita KS 67202-1513

Jeff Kenned



KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION OIL & GAS CONSERVATION DIVISION

1259898

Form CP-1 March 2010 This Form must be Typed Form must be Signed All blanks must be Filled

WELL PLUGGING APPLICATION

Form KSONA-1, Certification of Compliance with the Kansas Surface Owner Notification Act, MUST be submitted with this form.

OPERATOR: License #: 32705		API No. 15	15-191-21150-00-00			
Name: Raney Oil Company, LLC		If pre 1967, su	If pre 1967, supply original completion date: Spot Description: SW_NWSW_Sec. 20_Twp. 34_S. R. 2VEast_West			
Address 1: 4665 BAUER BROOK CT.	Spot Description					
Address 2:	<u>sw</u> <u>nw</u> :					
City: LAWRENCE State: KS		Feet from North / 🗹 South L				
Contact Person: Tom Raney		Feet from East / 🗹 West L				
Phone: (785) 749-0672			ulated from Nearest Outside Section Corner NE NW SE ✓ SW	r:		
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		1 County.	CULLY Well#: 4-20)		
Check One: ✓ Oil Well		odic Water Supp				
SWD Permit#:			Gas Storage Permit #:			
Conductor Casing Size:						
Surface Casing Size: 8.625 Production Casing Size: 4.5						
	. Set at:	Ceme	ented with:	Sacks		
List (ALL) Perforations and Bridge Plug Sets: Attached						
Elevation: (G.L. / K.B.) T.D.: 3250	3240	Ambardala Dandha				
			(Stone Corral Formation)			
Condition of Well: Good Poor Junk in Hote	Casing Leak at:	(Interval)				
Proposed Method of Plugging (attach a separate page if additi			, or 1 , 7			
Sand off bottom to 3140, cap with 2 scement with sandline. Perforate 4.5 (_	•	ag		
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Is Well Log attached to this application? Yes No	Is ACO-1 filed?	es No				
If ACO-1 not filed, explain why:						
Plugging of this Well will be done in accordance with K.			s of the State Corporation Commission			
Company Representative authorized to supervise plugging of						
		_{ity:} Wellington	State: Ks zip: 67152	. +		
Phone: (620) 4400170						
Plugging Contractor License #: 34879 Name:		_{lame:} <u>Canaan W</u>	ell Service Inc.	······································		
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City: Wellington			State: KS Zip: 67152	_+		
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Proposed Date of Plugging (if known):						

Payment of the Plugging Fee (K.A.R. 82-3-118) will be guaranteed by Operator or Agent

Submitted Electronically



KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION OIL & GAS CONSERVATION DIVISION

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Form KSONA-1 January 2014 Form Must Be Typed Form must be Signed All blanks must be Filled

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE KANSAS SURFACE OWNER NOTIFICATION ACT

This form must be submitted with all Forms C-1 (Notice of Intent to Drill); CB-1 (Cathodic Protection Borehole Intent); T-1 (Request for Change of Operator Transfer of Injection or Surface Pit Permit); and CP-1 (Well Plugging Application).

Any such form submitted without an accompanying Form KSONA-1 will be returned.

Select the corresponding form being filed: C-1 (Intent) CB-1 (Ca	athodic Protection Borehole Intent) T-1 (Transfer) X CP-1 (Plugging Application)		
OPERATOR: License #	Well Location: SW_NW_SW_Sec.20Twp. 34_S. R. 2✓ East ☐ West		
Address 1: 4665 BAUER BROOK CT. Address 2:	County: Sumner Lease Name: CULLY Well #: 4-20		
Address 2:	Lease Name: Well #: 420		
City: LAWRENCE State: KS Zip: 66049 + Contact Person: Tom Raney	If filing a Form T-1 for multiple wells on a lease, enter the legal descript the lease below:		
Phone: (785) 6917533 Fax: ()			
Email Address:			
Surface Owner Information: Name: John D. & Penelope Williams	When filing a Form T-1 involving multiple surface owners, attach an additional		
Address 1: 2585 S. Hwy 66	sheet listing all of the information to the left for each surface owner. Surface owner information can be found in the records of the register of deeds for the		
Address 2:	county, and in the real estate property tax records of the county treasurer.		
City: Claremore State: Oktahoma Zip: 74017 +			
If this form is being submitted with a Form C-1 (Intent) or CB-1 (Cathod, the KCC with a plat showing the predicted locations of lease roads, tank are preliminary non-binding estimates. The locations may be entered on Select one of the following:	batteries, pipelines, and electrical lines. The locations shown on the plat		
I certify that, pursuant to the Kansas Surface Owner Notice Acowner(s) of the land upon which the subject well is or will be loc CP-1 that I am filing in connection with this form; 2) if the form be form; and 3) my operator name, address, phone number, fax, an	cated: 1) a copy of the Form C-1, Form CB-1, Form T-1, or Form eing filed is a Form C-1 or Form CB-1, the plat(s) required by this		
☐ I have not provided this information to the surface owner(s). I acknowledge that I must provide the name and address of that I am being charged a \$30.00 handling fee, payable to the Ko	ner(s). To mitigate the additional cost of the KCC performing this of the surface owner by filling out the top section of this form and		
If choosing the second option, submit payment of the \$30.00 handling form and the associated Form C-1, Form CB-1, Form T-1, or Form CP-1			
Submitted Electronically			
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Form	CP1 - Well Plugging Application
Operator	Raney Oil Company, LLC
Well Name	CULLY 4-20
Doc ID	1259898

Perforations And Bridge Plug Sets

Perforation Top	Perforation Base	Formation.	Bridge Plug Depth
3192	3198	Cleaveland	

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Shari Feist Albrecht, Chair Jay Scott Emler, Commissioner Pat Apple, Commissioner

August 04, 2015

Tom Raney Raney Oil Company, LLC 4665 BAUER BROOK CT. LAWRENCE, KS 66049

Re: Plugging Application API 15-191-21150-00-00 CULLY 4-20 SW/4 Sec.20-34S-02E Sumner County, Kansas

Dear Tom Raney:

The Conservation Division has received your Well Plugging Application (CP-1).

Under K.A.R. 82-3-113(b)(2), you must notify DISTRICT 2 of your proposed plugging plan at least 5 days before plugging the well. DISTRICT 2's phone number is (316) 630-4000. Failure to notify DISTRICT 2, or failure to file a Well Plugging Record (CP-4) after the well is plugged will result in a penalty recommendation.

Under K.A.R. 82-3-600, you must file an Application for Surface Pit (CDP-1) if you wish to use a workover pit while plugging the well. Failure to timely file a CDP-1, failure to timely remove fluids, or failure to timely file Closure of Surface Pit (CDP-4) or Waste Transfer (CDP-5) forms will result in a penalty recommendation.

This receipt does NOT constitute authorization to plug this well if you do not otherwise have the legal right to do so.

This receipt is VOID after February 04, 2016. If the well is not plugged by then, you will have to submit a new CP-1 if you wish to plug the well.

The February 04, 2016 deadline does NOT override any compliance deadline given to you by Legal, District, or other Commission Staff. Failure to comply with any given deadline will still result in the Commission assessing penalties, or taking other legal action.

Sincerely, Production Department Supervisor

cc: DISTRICT 2