#### BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the matter of the Application of Pantera )	Docket No. 24-CONS-3296-CEXC
Energy Company for an exception to the 10-	
year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for its )	CONSERVATION DIVISION
Bush B 4 well located in the NE/4 of Section )	
35, Township 33 South, Range 33 West, )	License No.: 35681
Seward County, Kansas.	

#### **APPLICATION**

COMES NOW Pantera Energy Company ("Applicant") in support of its application in the captioned matter and states as follows:

- Applicant is a Corporation authorized to do business in the State of Kansas.
   Applicant's address is 817 S Polk ST STE 201, Amarillo, TX 79101.
- 2. Applicant has been issued by the Kansas Corporation Commission Operator's License 35681, which expires on 04/30/2025.
- 3. Applicant is the owner and operator of the Bush B 4 well, 15-175-21813-0001 ("the subject well"), which is located in the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 35, Township 33 South, Range 33 West, Seward County, Kansas. The subject well is located on an active oil and gas lease or unit comprising the following lands:

Northeast Quarter of Section 35, Township 33 South, Range 33 West, Seward County, Kansas.

4. Pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-111, the well was shut in, or Applicant obtained temporary abandonment status, for the subject well on 05/01/2014. The subject well has maintained such status from May 2014 to the present date.

- 5. On or about 03/14/2024, the Kansas Corporation Commission notified Applicant that temporary abandonment status for the subject well would be denied because the subject well had been temporarily abandoned for more than ten (10) years. K.A.R. 82-3-111 provides for an additional exception to be obtained through an application filed with the Commission. Operator seeks such an exception.
- 6. A Commission Staff-witnessed mechanical integrity test of the casing between the surface and a point within fifty (50) feet above the uppermost perforation or open hole in the well was completed on 04/12/2024.
- 7. Applicant wishes to continue TA status for the subject well because Applicant intends to use the well for the following purpose:
  - a) Recompletion in the Lansing "F" reservoir and return the well to production.
- 8. Applicant submits the following information regarding the well in support of the Application. Pantera Energy Company wishes to continue temporary abandonment status for the subject well because Pantera is currently evaluating the technical feasibility of returning the well to production by comingling existing Lansing perforations with new perforations in the Lansing F at 4690 4694' which appears to be productive based on open hole log analysis. The Bush B4 is located in Section 35-T33S-R33W, Seward Co., KS. The cumulative production from the Bush B4 is 86,322 MCF. The Bush B4 was recompleted to the Lansing Marmaton in August 2012. The initial production test was 400 MCFD. If the Lansing F performs similarly the economic potential for the reactivation appears to be favorable. The Bush B4 lease consists of 3 wells. The current lease production is 0 MCFD and 0 BOPD with one active SWD. The estimated cost to plug the Bush B4 is \$35,000. The estimated cost to workover and reactivate the Bush B4 2 is \$45,000. The well work remaining to be done includes perforating and stimulating the Lansing F and field testing for artificial lift requirements. The Bush B4 well bore will be CIT'd to assure that the well bore is

intact and retains the mechanical integrity required for continued safe TA status. We believe granting this petition will protect correlative rights and prevent waste.

- 9. Based on the foregoing, Applicant requests the Commission grant an exception to the 10-year limitation, specifically to allow the subject well to remain eligible for temporary abandonment status for three (3) years following the expiration of the 10-year limitation. Applicant understands that the exception would be valid for three (3) years, but Applicant would still need to apply annually to the Conservation Division District Office for approval of an application for temporary abandonment status.
- 10. Listed in the attached Exhibit "A" are the names and addresses of the following persons:
  - A. Each operator of each oil and gas lease covering lands within one-half (1/2) mile radius of the subject well; and
  - B. Each person who owns any mineral interest of record in and under any lands located within one-half (1/2) mile radius of subject well (provided that such mineral interest is not covered by any oil and gas lease).
- 11. Notice of this application will be published pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-135a. In addition, notice of the hearing to be held in this matter will be provided as prescribed by K.A.R. 82-3-135.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that this matter be granted administratively without a hearing, or in the alternative be set for hearing, and upon hearing that the Commission grant Applicant's request, for an exception to the K.A.R. 82-3-111 ten (10) year limitation, to allow the subject well to remain temporarily abandoned for three (3) years, subject to annual approval by the Conservation Division District Office of an application for temporary abandonment status.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pantera Energy Company 817 S Polk ST Suite 201 Amarillo, TX 79101 (806)376-6625

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify on this <u>24th</u> day of <u>April, 2024</u>, true and correct copies of the above and foregoing Application and Notice of Application were served by depositing copies of the same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each of the landowner(s) and operator(s) set forth in Exhibit "A" attached to said Application filed by Applicant, and the above and foregoing original Application was uploaded to the Kansas Corporation Commission via E-filing Express to a new docket.

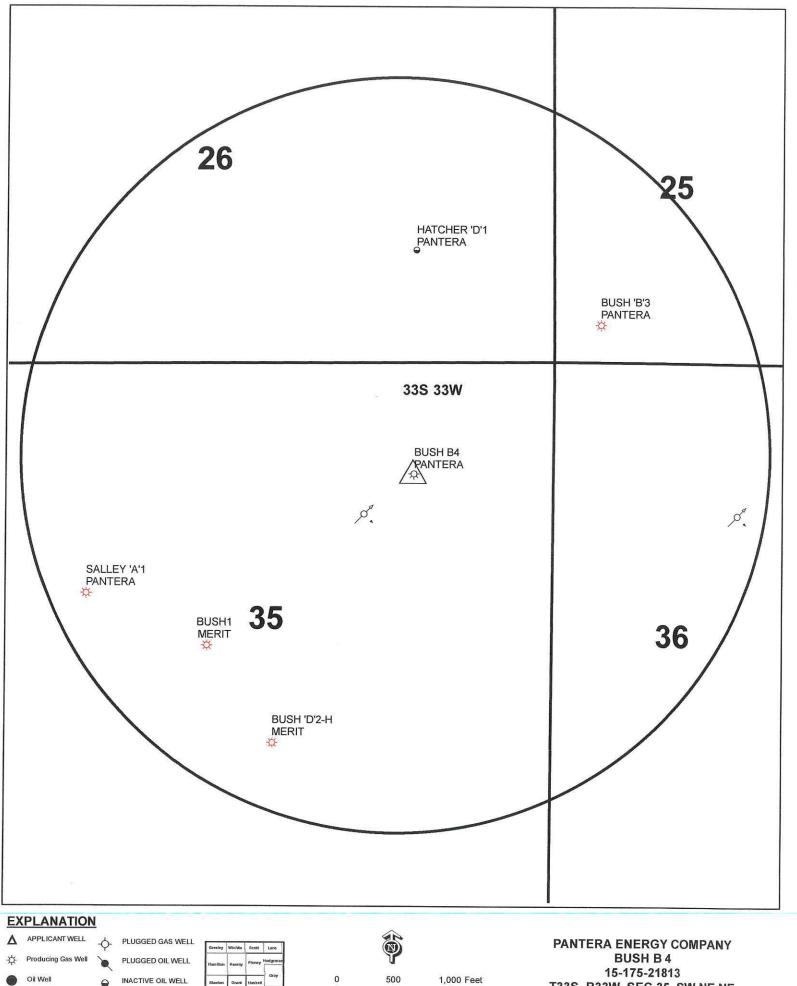
## **EXHIBIT A**

## **Operator**

Merit Energy Company, LLC 13727 Noel Road Suite 500 Dallas, TX 75240

# **Surface Owner**

Emma Jean Bush Crowder
Emma Jean & Raymond O Crowder Trust
1379 Charles Dr Apt B8
Longmont, CO 80503







T33S, R33W, SEC 35, SW NE NE SEWARD COUNTY, KANSAS



# BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS NOTICE OF FILING APPLICATION

RE: Pantera Energy Company - - Application for an exception to the 10-year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for the Bush B 4 located in Seward County, Kansas.

TO: All Oil & Gas Producers, Unleased Mineral Interest Owners, Landowners, and all persons whomever concerned. You, and each of you, are hereby notified that Pantera Energy Company has filed an application for an exception to the 10-year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for the Bush B 4 well located in the NE/4 of Section 35-33S-33W, Seward County, Kansas.

Any persons who object to or protest this application shall be required to file their objections or protest with the Conservation Division of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas within fifteen (15) days from the date of this publication. These protests shall be filed pursuant to Commission regulations and must state specific reasons why the grant of the application may cause waste, violate correlative rights or pollute the natural resources of the State of Kansas.

All persons interested or concerned shall take notice of the foregoing and shall govern themselves accordingly.

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