THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:	Shari Feist Alb Jay Scott Emle Pat Apple	
In the matter of the failure of Crown Service Inc. ("Operator") to comply		Docket No.: 14-CONS-749-CPEN
K.A.R. 32-3-407 at the Baxa #12 in R County, Kansas.		CONSERVATION DIVISION
County, Ransas.		License No.: 3722

ORDER DESIGNATING PREHEARING OFFICER AND SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

- 1. On March 27, 2014, the Commission issued a Penalty Order in this docket assessing \$1,000 in fines and requiring Operator to either conduct a successful mechanical integrity test on the Baxa #12, or plug the well. On April 23, 2014, Operator filed a timely request for hearing.
- 2. Upon its own motion and pursuant to K.S.A. 77-551(c), 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). The Commission also finds that an initial prehearing conference should be scheduled in this matter.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- A. The Prehearing Officer in this proceeding shall be John McCannon, Litigation Counsel, Kansas Corporation Commission, 130 S. Market, Room 2078, Wichita, Kansas 67202, telephone number 316-337-6200, email address <u>j.mccannon@kcc.ks.gov</u>.
- B. A Prehearing Conference is scheduled for Tuesday, May 20, 2014. The Prehearing Conference shall begin at 3:30 p.m. and end by 4:30 p.m., at the Commission's offices, 130 S. Market, Room 2078, Wichita, Kansas 67202. Telephonic attendance may be

permitted upon advance request. The Prehearing Conference will focus on the development of a procedural schedule for this docket.

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 shall be held in default under the KAPA.

E. Pursuant to K.A.R. 82-1-228(d)(2), corporations must enter an appearance via an attorney. If a corporation fails to enter an appearance via an attorney prior to the Prehearing Conference, it shall be held in default under the KAPA.

F. The attorney designated to appear on behalf of the agency in this proceeding is Jonathan R. Myers, Litigation Counsel, telephone number 316-337-6200, email address j.myers@kcc.ks.gov.

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, Com.; Apple, Com.

Dated: APR 2 9 2014

Kim Christiansen Executive Director

Mailed Date

4-30-2014

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on A-30-2014, I caused a complete and accurate copy of this Order to be served via United States mail, with the postage prepaid and properly addressed to the following:

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