

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

Before Commissioners: Susan K. Duffy, Chair
Shari Feist Albrecht
Dwight D. Keen

In the matter of the applications of RJ Energy,) Docket No: 20-CONS-3231-CUIC
LLC, for injection authority at twelve wells on)
the Murray Twin lease and ten wells on the) CONSERVATION DIVISION
Brewer lease, both in Coffey County, Kansas.)
_____) License No: 3728

**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 February 3, 2020, RJ Energy, LLC (Operator) filed an Application seeking authorization for injection of saltwater into twelve wells on the Murray Twin lease.¹ The same day, Operator filed an Affidavit of Publication, which stated that on January 23, 2020, *The Coffey County Republican* newspaper had published a Notice of Filing Application, which referenced the filing of an application for the twelve wells on the Murray Twin lease and ten wells on the Brewer lease.²
2. On February 12, 2020, Operator filed an Application seeking authorization for injection of saltwater into ten wells on the Brewer lease.³
3. On February 20, 2020, Susan Royd-Sykes and Cindy Hoedel filed letters of protest.⁴
4. The Commission finds a Prehearing Officer should be designated in this proceeding to address any matters listed in K.S.A. 77-517(b),⁵ and a Prehearing Conference should be scheduled.

¹ See Application – Murray-Twin Wells (Feb. 3, 2020).

² See Affidavit of Publication – The Coffee County Republican (Feb. 3, 2020).

³ See Application – Brewer Wells (Feb. 12, 2020).

⁴ See Letter of Protest – Susan Royd-Sykes (Feb. 20, 2020); Letter of Protest – Cindy Hoedel (Feb. 20, 2020).

⁵ See also K.S.A. 77-551(c).

5. 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 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 Jonathan R. Myers, Assistant General Counsel, Kansas Corporation Commission, 266 N. Main Street, Suite 220, Wichita, Kansas, 67202-1513, telephone number (316) 337-6245, email address j.myers@kcc.ks.gov. The Commission may designate other Staff members to serve in this capacity. **The Commission directs electronic service 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.**

B. A Prehearing Conference is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 31, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.** by telephone. The conference call information is: telephone number (866) 620-7326, Conference Code PIN: 3902542751.

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.⁶

⁶ 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.⁷

F. The attorney designated to appear on behalf of the agency in this proceeding is Kelcey Marsh, Litigation Counsel, telephone number (316) 337-6200, k.marsh@kcc.ks.gov.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Duffy, Chair; Albrecht, Commissioner; Keen, Commissioner (Recused)

Dated: 03/12/2020 _____


Lynn M. Retz
Executive Director

Mailed Date: 03/12/2020 _____

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⁷ 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 a true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following by means of

first class mail and electronic service on 03/12/2020.

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