

BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)	DOCKET NO. 17-CONS- <u>3473</u> -CHOR
OF MERIT ENERGY COMPANY, LLC, TO)	
DRILL THE RIVER BEND 1 WELL)	
LOCATED IN SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP)	CONSERVATION DIVISION
24 SOUTH, RANGE 32 WEST, FINNEY)	
COUNTY, KANSAS, AS A DEVIATED)	
WELL PURSUANT TO K.A.R. 82-103A.)	LICENSE NO. 32446
_____)	

APPLICATION

COMES NOW, Applicant, Merit Energy Company, LLC, 13727, Noel Road, Suite 1200, Dallas, Texas 75240. Applicant herein and respectfully states as follows:

1. The Applicant is the owner of oil and gas leasehold interests in the subject acreage in Finney County, Kansas.

2. The Applicant seeks to complete the River Bend 1 well with a deviation from the surface to the top of the producing formation in excess of seven degrees (7°). The River Bend 1 well surface location is at a location 609 feet from the South line and 144 feet from the West line of Section 26, Township 24 South, Range 32 West, Finney County, Kansas. To keep the surface hole location out of the flood plan and a crop circle, a deviation of ten point eight degrees (10.8°) is necessary. The bottom hole location for the River Bend 1 well will be at 1379 feet from the South line and 631 feet from the West line of said Section 26, a legal location. The River Bend 1 well is expected to be productive from the St. Louis Formation.

3. Production from the River Bend 1 well will be from the St. Louis Formation. Applicant has a market for the oil and/or gas produced therefrom and production of said oil and/or gas will be for the purposes as permitted by laws of the State of Kansas so as not to constitute waste.

4. That attached and made a part hereof is Exhibit No. 1, a plat showing the surface location for the River Bend 1 and the intended bottom hole location.

5. Attached as Exhibit No. 2 is a list of each operator or lessee of record (other than the Applicant) and each owner of record of the minerals in any unleased acreage within one-half mile radius of both the surface and bottom hole locations as well as the landowner of the surface location.

6. That notice of this Application and opportunity for hearing thereon is being provided pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-135a by mailing notice to those listed on Exhibit No. 2 and by causing the Notice of Pending Application to be published as required by the Commission in *The Wichita Eagle* and *The Garden City Telegram* newspapers. Said notice provides that unless written protest is received by the Commission within fifteen (15) days after the date of publication of said notice, the Applicant in this matter will be granted administrative approval after said 15 day period.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that this cause be docketed and in the event no protest is made to the Commission within the time period provided, an Order be entered permitting the completion of the River Bend 1 well with a deviation from the surface to the top of the producing formation in excess of seven degrees (7°).

MERIT ENERGY COMPANY, LLC

By



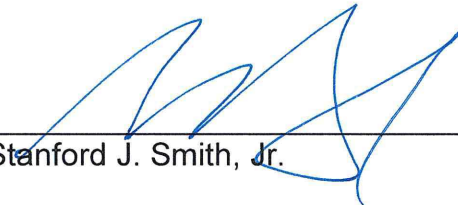
Stanford J. Smith, Jr.
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VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS)
) ss:
COUNTY OF SEDGWICK)

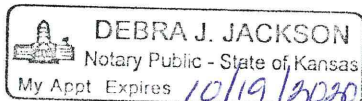
COMES NOW, Stanford J. Smith, Jr., of lawful age, being first duly sworn on his oath states:

That he is employed by Merit Energy Company, LLC, as its attorney and is authorized to make this verification; that he has read the above and foregoing Application and is familiar with the contents thereof and that the statements made therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.



Stanford J. Smith, Jr.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 15th day of February, 2017.





Notary Public

My Appointment Expires:
10/19/2020

LEGEND:

- = 90° SYMBOL
- = PROPOSED WELLHEAD.
- = TARGET BOTTOM HOLE.
- ▲ = SECTION CORNERS LOCATED.
- * = EXISTING WELLS

T24S, R32W, 6th P.M.

5/8" Rebar,
0.5' Below Grade
(SP NAD 27)
(KANSAS SOUTH)
N: 473817.58
E: 1339127.07

4"x4" Concrete
Monument, 0.6'
Below Grade
(SP NAD 27)
(KANSAS SOUTH)
N: 473972.90
E: 1333852.22

S89°47'18"E - 5278.29' (Meas.)

23 24
26 25

N00°20'09"E - 5268.37' (Meas.)

Delbert 1

NW 1/4

NE 1/4

Arkansas River

North Pebble 26-1

SW 1/4

26

D'Allemand Gas Unit 2H1

S00°13'12"W - 5282.78' (Meas.)

RIVER
BEND 1

Elev. Ungraded
Ground = 2819.6'

Target Bottom Hole

631'

668'

1312'

D'Allemand Gas Unit 1

SE 1/4

LINE TABLE		
LINE	DIRECTION	LENGTH
L1	N32°37'39"E	910.38'

1/2" Rebar
w/Yellow Plastic
Cap LS #27 At
Grade
(SP NAD 27)
(KANSAS SOUTH)
N: 468538.26
E: 1338970.86

2" Pipe, 1.0'
Below Grade
(SP NAD 27)
(KANSAS SOUTH)
N: 468708.31
E: 1333685.78

144'

609'

1379'

N89°37'55"W - 5288.97' (Meas.)

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CERTIFICATE

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE PLAN WAS PREPARED FROM FIELD NOTES OF ACTUAL SURVEYS MADE BY ME OR UNDER MY SUPERVISION AND THAT THE SAME ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR
REGISTRATION NO. 133041
STATE OF KANSAS

EXHIBIT 1

NAD 83 (SURFACE LOCATION)	NAD 83 (TARGET BOTTOM HOLE)
LATITUDE = 37°55'58.58" (37.932939)	LATITUDE = 37°56'06.15" (37.935042)
LONGITUDE = 100°48'37.34" (100.810372)	LONGITUDE = 100°48'31.20" (100.808667)
NAD 27 (SURFACE LOCATION)	NAD 27 (TARGET BOTTOM HOLE)
LATITUDE = 37°55'58.50" (37.932917)	LATITUDE = 37°56'06.07" (37.935019)
LONGITUDE = 100°48'35.76" (100.809933)	LONGITUDE = 100°48'29.63" (100.808231)
STATE PLANE NAD 83 (KANSAS SOUTH)	STATE PLANE NAD 83 (KANSAS SOUTH)
N: 1781667.11 E: 646073.23	N: 1782420.78 E: 646583.56
STATE PLANE NAD 27 (KANSAS SOUTH)	STATE PLANE NAD 27 (KANSAS SOUTH)
N: 469312.02 E: 1333849.20	N: 470065.68 E: 1334359.52

BASIS OF BEARINGS

BASIS OF BEARINGS IS A G.P.S. OBSERVATION

BASIS OF ELEVATION

BASED ON NGS CONTROL STATION WITH A PUBLISHED ELEVATION OF 2848.98' (NAVD88) AND A PUBLISHED POSITION OF LAT: N37°58'08.98901" LONG: W100°54'04.80320" (NAVD83(2011)).



UELS, LLC
Corporate Office * 85 South 200 East
Vernal, UT 84078 * (435) 789-1017



MERIT ENERGY COMPANY

RIVER BEND 1
609' FSL 144' FWL

SW 1/4 SW 1/4, SECTION 26, T24S, R32W, 6th P.M.
FINNEY COUNTY, KANSAS

SURVEYED BY	B.L.	01-20-17	SCALE
DRAWN BY	T.E.	01-23-17	1" = 1000'

WELL LOCATION PLAT

EXHIBIT NO. 2

BROOKOVER LAND ENTERPRISES LP
P. O. BOX 917
GARDEN CITY, KS 67845-0917

LINN OPERATING, INC.
600 TRAVIS, SUITE 5100
HOUSTON, TX 77002

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NOTICE OF PENDING APPLICATION

THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS:

ALL OIL AND GAS PRODUCERS AND OIL
AND GAS PURCHASERS, ROYALTY OWNERS,
LAND OWNERS, AND ALL PERSONS
WHATSOEVER CONCERNED:

State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas to all Oil and Gas Producers and Oil and Gas Purchasers, Royalty Owners, Landowners, and all persons Whoever Concerned:

YOU and each of you are hereby notified that Merit Energy Company, LLC, has filed an Application with the State Corporation Commission pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-103a requesting the Commission to complete the drilling of the River Bend 1 well with a deviation from the surface to the top of the producing formation in excess of seven degrees (7°). The deviation will be approximately ten degrees (10°). The acreage subject to said application is:

Surface Location:

Section 26, Township 24 South, Range 32 West, Finney
County, Kansas.

Bottom Hole Location:

Section 26, Township 24 South, Range 32 West, Finney
County, Kansas.

YOU are further notified that unless written protest is received by the State Corporation Commission within 15 days after publication of this Notice, the Application in this matter will be granted by administrative approval after said 15 day period. Any such protest should be mailed to the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas, Conservation Division, 266 North Main, Suite 220, Wichita, KS 67202, and to the Applicant at the address below.

All parties in any wise interested or concerned shall take notice of the foregoing and govern themselves accordingly.

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