

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

Before Commissioners: Pat Apple, Chair  
Shari Feist Albrecht  
Jay Scott Emler

In the matter of the application of Beren Corporation for a third exception to the 10-year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for its NRSU #7 well located in the NW NW SW of Sec 30, Township 27 South, Range 12 West, Pratt County, Kansas	)	Docket No. 17-CONS- <u>3494</u> -CEXC
	)	CONSERVATION DIVISION
	)	License No.: 5364
	)	

**APPLICATION**

COMES NOW Beren Corporation (“Operator”) for its application in the captioned matter states as follows:

1. Operator is a corporation authorized to do business in the State of Kansas. Operator’s address is 2020 N. Bramblewood, Wichita, Kansas 67206.

2. Operator has been issued by the Kansas Corporation Commission Operator’s License #5364, which expires on June 30, 2017.

3. Operator is the owner and operator of the NRSU #7 API #15-151-00052-00-00 (“the subject well”), which is located in the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 30, Township 27 South, Range 12 West, Pratt County, Kansas. The subject well comprises the following lands:

Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 19, West Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 30, West Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 30, Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 30, Northwest Quarter of the

Northwest Quarter of Section 31, all in Township 27 South, Range 12 West; and the East Half of the Northeast Quarter and East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, East Half of the Northeast Quarter and Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 36, all in Township 27 South, Range 13 West, Pratt County, Kansas, containing 560 acres, more or less (“leased premises”).

4. Pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-111, Operator obtained temporary abandonment status for the subject well on October 1, 1997. The subject well has maintained such status from that date to the present date.

5. On or about October 2, 2009, the Kansas Corporation Commission notified Operator 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. Operator filed for and received approval for an exception to K.A.R. 82-3-111 on March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

6. On or about January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013, the Kansas Corporation Commission notified Operator that the 3 year exception to K.A.R. 82-3-111 was expiring March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Operator filed for and received approval for an exception to K.A.R. 82-3-111 on February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

7. The 3 year exception to K.A.R 82-3-111 expires February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017. 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.

8. The subject well has demonstrated mechanical integrity as evidenced by passage of a mechanical integrity test on January 20, 2017, which was witnessed by a member of the Kansas Corporation Commission staff.

9. Operator is keeping the subject well for backup water injection wells in the NRSU waterflood unit. Also there is a Lansing B zone behind pipe in the subject well that is

prospective for recompletion. This zone will be tested after waterflooding operations cease. Plugging the subject well will result in economic waste associated with re-drilling the location for future water injection needs, and loss of possible oil and gas reserves present in the Lansing B zone.

10. Operator has included a plat map showing the locations of all producing, injection, temporarily abandoned, abandoned, and plugged wells located on the same leased premises as the subject well.

11. Based on the foregoing, Operator 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 the three (3) years following the expiration of the 10-year limitation, subject to yearly renewal with the appropriate Conservation Division District, but without further need to re-apply for a new exception each of the three (3) years prayed for in this application to the Commission.

12. Listed in the attached Exhibit "A" are the names and addresses of the following persons:

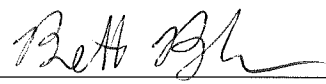
- A. Each operator of each oil and gas lease covering lands within one-half (1/2) mile radius of the subject well; and
- B. Each person who owns any mineral interest of record in and under any lands located within one-half (1/2) mile radius of the subject well (provided that such mineral interest is not covered by any oil and gas lease).

13. 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, Operator prays that this matter be set for hearing, and upon hearing, that the Commission grant Operator's request for a third exception to the 10-year limitation during which the well may be temporarily abandoned pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-111 so as to allow the subject well to remain temporarily abandoned for three (3) years following the February 18th, 2017 expiration of the second exception to the 10-year limitation, subject to yearly renewal with the appropriate Conservation Division District, but without further need to re-apply for a new exception each of the three (3) years prayed for in this application.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brett Blazer  
2020 N. Bramblewood  
Wichita, KS 67206  
316-265-3311  
Fax #316-681-4722

By:   
Signature of Submitter

# VERIFICATION

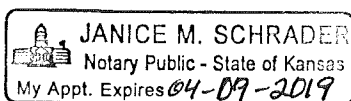
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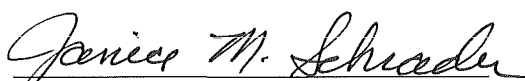
Brett Blazer, of lawful age, being first duly sworn, upon oath states:

That he has the authority on behalf of Operator to file this application, has read the application, knows the contents, and knows all of the statements in the application are true and correct.

  
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Signature of Submitter

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of February, 2017.

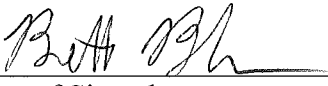


  
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Notary Public

My appointment expires:

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify on this 16th day of February, 2017, true and correct copies of the above and foregoing Application and the Notice of Application were served by depositing copies of the same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to the landowners set forth in paragraph 12 of said Application and each party set forth in Exhibit "A" attached to said Application filed by Operator, and a digital scan of the application was delivered electronically to the Kansas Corporation Commission.

  
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Name of Signed

## **EXHIBIT A**

### **NRSU #7**

#### Unleased Mineral Owners

Kent Preisser

130159 NE 40<sup>th</sup> St.

Cunningham, KS 67035

John Gordon Bailey

1002 Welton

Pratt, KS 67124

Leland and Renee Wilson

352 SE 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Pratt, KS 67124

The Home Place Holding Company

Box 184

Pratt, KS 67124



# Beren Corporation

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

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RE: BEREN CORPORATION. - - Application for an exception to the 10 year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for the NRSU #7, located in Pratt 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 Beren Corporation has filed an application for a third exception to the 10 year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for the NRSU #7, located in the NW NW SW of Section 30-27S-12W, Pratt 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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