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PUBLIC NOTICE

(Published in The Lakin Independent, Lakin, Kansas, Thursday, May 11, 2017.) BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS Before Commissioners: Jay Scott Emler, Chairman Shari Feist Albrecht Pat Apple In the Matter of the Application of Merit Energy Company, LLC, for an Order Authorizing the Unitization and Unit Operation of the Hylbom Morrow Unit in Finney and Kearny Counties, Kansas Docket No. 17-CONS-3650-CUNI

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
TO: ALL OIL AND GAS
PRODUCERS AND OIL AND
GAS PURCHASERS, ROYALTY
OWNERS, OVERRIDING ROYALTY INTEREST OWNERS,
UNLEASED MINERAL INTEREST OWNERS, LANDOWNERS,
MORTGAGEES OF OIL AND
GAS INTERESTS, AND ALL
PERSONS CONCERNED:

CONSERVATION DIVISION

License No. 32446

You and each you are hereby notified that Merit Energy Company, LLC ("Merit") has filed an Application with the Kansas Corporation Commission ("Commission") pursuant to K.S.A. 55-1301, et seq., requesting an order authorizing the unitization and unit operation of the Hylbom Morrow Unit to be located in Finney and Kearny Counties, Kansas. The unit area of the proposed Hylbom Morrow Unit, which Merit will operate, includes the E/2 of Section 25-T23S-R35W in Kearny County, and the W/2 and NE/4 of Section 30-T23S-R34W in Finney County. Merit proposes to unitize a pool within the Morrow formation beneath the unit area, the stratigraphic equivalent of which is shown on the well log of the Hylbom A-2 well to be between the depths of 4,584' and 4,837' measured from surface (-1,591' and -1,844' subsea). Merit intends to conduct enhanced oil recovery operations within said pool in order to increase the recovery of oil reserves, and will allocate oil production there from on a fair, reasonable and equitable basis.

The Application is pending with the Commission. Any persons who object or protest to the granting of the Application shall be required to file their objections or protests in writing with the Commission within 15 days from the date of this publication. If a written objection or protest is not timely filed, the Application may be determined administratively by the Commission and may thereby be granted without hearing or further notice to any interested party. Any objection or protest shall clearly state the reasons why granting the

Application will violate correlative rights, cause waste, or threaten fresh and usable waters. Objections or protests shall be mailed to the Kansas Corporation Commission, Conservation Division, 266 N. Main St., Ste. 220, Wichita, KS 67202, with a copy to Merit's attorneys listed below. All parties in any way interested or concerned shall take notice of the foregoing and govern themselves accordingly. Jonathan A. Schlatter, #24848 MORRIS LAING EVANS BROCK & KENNEDY, CHTD. 300 N. Mead, Suite 200 Wichita, KS 67202-2745 Office (316) 262-2671 Fax (316) 262-6226 Attorney for Merit Energy Company, LLC