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### THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:

Jay Scott Emler, Chairman Shari Feist Albrecht Pat Apple

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In the Matter of the Failure of Perkins Oil Enterprises, Inc. ("Operator") to Comply with K.A.R. 82-3-407 at the MKO Ranch #9, Pickell G #6 and Pickell #9 in Elk County, Kansas.

Docket No. 17-CONS-3249-CPEN ) CONSERVATION DIVISION License No. 4448

# **ORDER DESIGNATING PREHEARING OFFICER** AND SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

1. On October 18, 2016, the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) issued a Penalty Order against Operator alleging three violations for failure to perform successful mechanical integrity tests pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-407.

2. On November 10, 2016, the Operator filed a Request for Hearing.

3. 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 Dustin L. Kirk, Deputy General Counsel, Kansas Corporation Commission, 1500 S.W. Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas 66604, telephone number 785-271-3198, email address d.kirk@kcc.ks.gov.

В. A Prehearing Conference shall be held on December 8, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. by telephone. The conference call information is: telephone number: (866) 620-7326, Conference Code PIN #7632914771.

C. At the Prehearing Conference, parties shall be prepared to discuss deadlines for filing testimony and briefs, discovery procedures, and scheduling of a hearing with the Commission.

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), K.S.A. 77-501 et seq. Any party that fails to attend or participate in the Prehearing Conference, hearing, or other stage of this proceeding may be held in default pursuant to 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 may be held in default pursuant to KAPA.

#### BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Emler, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Apple, Commissioner

Dated: NOV 2 2 2016

Amy L. Green Secretary to the Commission

Mailed Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_ November 22, 2016

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on 11/22/16, 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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