## THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:	Pat Apple, Chairman Shari Feist Albrecht Jay Scott Emler		
In the Matter of the Notice of Denial License Renewal Application to Jones Corporation.	,	Docket No: 17-CONS-3673-CMSC	
	)	CONSERVATION DIVISION	
	)	License No: 32654	

# 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 and concludes as follows:

- 1. On May 24, 2017, Commission Staff (Staff) issued a Notice of Denial of License Renewal Application to Jones Gas Corporation (Operator), stating that Operator appears to be associated with entities not in compliance with Commission statutes, regulations, and orders.
  - 2. On May 26, 2017, Operator timely filed its request for a hearing in this matter.
- 3. Upon its own motion and pursuant to K.S.A. 77-551(c), 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), and a Prehearing Conference should be scheduled.
- 4. Although a Prehearing Officer is designated in this docket, 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 Michael J. Duenes, Assistant General Counsel, Kansas Corporation Commission, 1500 SW Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas, 66604-4027, telephone number (785) 271-3181, email address m.duenes@kcc.ks.gov. The Commission may designate other Staff members to serve in this capacity.
- A Prehearing Conference is scheduled for Thursday, August 24, 2017 at 9:30 B. a.m. by telephone. The conference call information is: telephone number (866) 620-7326, Conference Code PIN: 7632914771#.
- At the Prehearing Conference, parties shall be prepared to discuss deadlines for C. 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.
- At the Prehearing Conference, without further notice, this proceeding may be D. 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.1
  - A corporation shall appear before the Commission by a Kansas licensed attorney.<sup>2</sup> E.
- F. The attorney designated to appear on behalf of the agency in this proceeding is Joshua D. Wright, Litigation Counsel, telephone number (316) 337-6217, j.wright@kcc.ks.gov.
- G. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it may deem necessary.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> K.S.A. 77-506; K.S.A. 77-516(c)(7)-(8). <sup>2</sup> K.S.A. 77-515(c); K.A.R. 82-1-228(d)(2).

### BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Apple,	Chairman;	Albrecht,	Commi	ssioner;	Emler,	Commissioner	
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Dated:	JUN 2 2 2017	Lynn U. Ret
		Lynn M. Retz Secretary to the Commission
Date Mailed: _	June 22, 2017	

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on	6/22/17	, I caused a complete and accurate co	ру
of this Order to be served	via United States mail,	, with the postage prepaid and properly	
addressed to the following	·•		

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/s/ Paula J. Murray
Paula J. Murray
Legal Assistant
Kansas Corporation Commission