

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

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

In the matter of an Order to Show Cause issued to) Docket No.: 16-CONS-4109-CSHO
Central States Energy LLC ("Operator") regarding)
responsibility under K.S.A. 55-179 for unplugged) CONSERVATION DIVISION
wells on an expired license.)
_____) License No.: 34570

DEFAULT ORDER

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas. Having examined the files and records, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

I. JURISDICTION

1. K.S.A. 77-520 provides that if a party fails to attend any stage of an adjudicative proceeding, the agency may issue a default order with a statement of the grounds. The party has seven days to file a written motion to vacate, stating the grounds relied upon.

II. FINDINGS OF FACT

2. On June 16, 2016, the Commission Staff filed a Motion for an Order to Show Cause, the Designation of a Prehearing officer, and the Scheduling of a Prehearing Conference.

3. On July 14, 2016, the Commission issued its Order to Show Cause, Designating a Prehearing Officer, and Setting a Prehearing Conference.

4. On August 2, 2016, the Prehearing Conference was held as scheduled. The operator did not appear. Counsel for Commission Staff verbally moved for a default order.

III. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

5. The operator's failure to attend the prehearing conference constituted default under K.S.A. 77-520. Staff's motion for a default order is granted.

6. The Commission finds the captioned operator in default of these proceedings.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. Staff's motion for a default order is granted.

B. The Commission finds the captioned operator in default of these proceedings.


C. Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-520(b), Operator may file a written motion requesting that this Default Order be vacated and stating the grounds relied upon, within seven calendar days after service of this Order, with three additional days added for service by mail. The motion shall be addressed to the Commission and sent to 266 N. Main, Ste. 220, Wichita, Kansas 67202.

D. The Commission retains jurisdiction of the subject matter and the parties and may enter additional orders as it deems appropriate.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Emler, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Apple, Commissioner

Dated: AUG 16 2016



Amy L. Green
Secretary to the Commission

Mailed Date: August 16, 2016

JM

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on August 16, 2016, 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:

James Osborn
Central States Energy LLC
10380 E. Cortez Drive
Scottsdale, AZ 85260-6372

And delivered electronically to:

Jonathan R. Myers
Conservation Division Central Office

/s/ Cynthia K. Maine
Cynthia K. Maine
Administrative Assistant
Kansas Corporation Commission