

**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 complaint of Merit Energy)	Docket No.: 16-CONS-3867-CINV
Company against Anadarko Energy Services)	
Company to establish just and reasonable)	CONSERVATION DIVISION
charges for gas gathering pursuant to K.A.R.)	
82-3-802.)	License No.: N/A

**ORDER DESIGNATING PREHEARING OFFICER
& SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

1. On February 29, 2016, Merit Energy filed a complaint under K.A.R. 82-3-802 requesting an investigation regarding the fees and terms being charged by Anadarko for its natural gas services. Nothing further has been entered in this docket except for filings regarding entries of appearances for counsel for Anadarko.

2. To ensure timely resolution of this docket, the Commission finds a Prehearing Officer should be designated to address any matters listed in K.S.A. 77-517(b). The Commission also finds that a status conference should be scheduled in this matter.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. The Prehearing Officer in this proceeding shall be Jonathan R. Myers, Counsel, Kansas Corporation Commission, 266 N. Main, Suite 220, Wichita, Kansas 67202, telephone number 316-337-6200, email address j.myers.kcc.ks.gov.

B. A Prehearing Conference is scheduled for Tuesday, May 31, 2016. The Prehearing Conference shall begin at 11:00 a.m. and end by 12:00 p.m., at the Commission's offices, 266 N. Main, Suite 220, Wichita, Kansas 67202. Telephonic attendance may be

permitted upon advance request to the Prehearing Officer. The Prehearing Conference will focus on the development of a procedural schedule.

C. At the Prehearing Conference, parties shall be prepared to discuss deadlines for 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.

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"). Any party that fails to attend or participate in the Prehearing Conference, hearing, or other stage of this proceeding shall be held in default under the 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 shall be held in default under the KAPA.


F. The attorney designated to appear on behalf of the agency in this proceeding is John McCannon, telephone number 316-337-6200, email address j.mccannon@kcc.ks.gov.

G. Any person requiring special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act is requested to give notice to the Commission at least 10 days prior to the scheduled hearing date.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Emler, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Apple, Commissioner

Dated: MAY 12 2016



Amy L. Green
Secretary to the Commission

Mailed Date: May 12, 2016

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on May 12, 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:

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