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

In the matter of the Application of Prairie Gas	)	Docket No.: 22-CONS-3098-CMSC
Operating, LLC (Operator) for an Operator's	)	
License Renewal.	)	CONSERVATION DIVISION
	)	
	)	License No.: 35442

## MOTION FOR THE DESIGNATION OF A PRESIDING OFFICER AND THE SCHEDULING OF A PREHEARING CONFERENCE

The Staff of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Staff and Commission, respectively) moves for the designation of a presiding officer and the scheduling of a prehearing conference in this matter. In support of its motion, Staff states the following:

- 1. On March 31, 2021, Operator filed an application to renew license number 35442.
- 2. Commission Staff from District #1 is currently conducting lease inspections on all of Operator's leases. These inspections have revealed a multitude of potential regulatory violations, such as, but not limited to, temporary abandonment, casing integrity, and conducting oil and gas operations under a suspended license. Given the depth and breadth of Operator's potential regulatory violations, Legal Staff determined the issues are extensive enough to warrant the Commission's overview of Operator's license renewal application. As such, Staff has extended the temporarily expiration date of Operator's license to allow for timely regulatory compliance while this matter is pending before the Commission.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons described above, Staff respectfully moves the Commission to issue an Order designating a presiding officer, and scheduling a prehearing conference that will allow further development of a procedural schedule in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true and correct copy of the attached Motion for the Designation of a Presiding Officer and the Scheduling of a Prehearing Conference has been served to the following by means of first class mail and electronic service on August 25 2021.

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