# BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the matter of the Application of Thresher Energy Inc. for an exception to the 10-year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for its Jones A 3 well located in the NE/4 Sec.15, Township 18 South, Range 18 W Rush County Kansas.

Docket 25-CONS-3107-CEXC

CONSERVATION DIVISION

License No.: 35820

#### **APPLICATION**

COMES NOW Thresher Energy Inc. (Applicant) in support of its Application in the captioned matter and states as follows:

1. Applicant is a Limited Liability Company authorized to do business in the State of Kansas.

Applicant's address is 2 Northpoint Dr, Suite 800, Houston, Texas 77060.

- 2. Applicant has been issued by the Kansas Corporation Commission Operator's License 33372, which expires on February 28,2025
- 3. Applicant is the owner and operator of the Jones A3 well, 15-165-21994-00-00 (the subject well), which is located in the NE/4 of Section 15, Township 18 South, Range 18 West, Rush County, Kansas. The Subject Well is located on an active oil and gas lease or unit comprising the following lands:

S/2 NE/4, Section 15, Township 18 South, Range 18 West, Rush County, Kansas, containing 80 acres, more or less (leased premises).]

4. Pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-111, the well was shut in, or Applicant obtained temporary abandonment status, for the Subject Well on February 1, 2010. The Subject Well has maintained such status to the present date.

5. On or about September 23, 2022, the Kansas Corporation Commission notified Applicant temporary abandonment status for the Subject Well would be denied from and after September 23, 2024, because the Subject Well had been temporarily abandoned for more than ten (10) years.

6. K.A.R. 82-3-111 imposes a 10-year limitation on the amount of time during which wells may be temporarily abandoned, but an exception to the 10-year limitation may be obtained pursuant to said regulation through an Application filed with the Commission pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-100. Applicant seeks such an exception.

7. On or about September 11<sup>th</sup> 2024 the Subject Well passed a Commission Staff-witnessed mechanical integrity test of the casing between the surface and a point within fifty (50) feet above the uppermost perforation or open hole in the well.

8. Applicant wishes to continue TA status for the Subject Well, because Applicant intends to use the well for the following purpose: The well will remain shut-in for the immediate future. The well is currently under evaluation to be recompleted as a producer or converted to a disposal well.

9. Applicant submits the following information regarding the well in support of the Application:

a. The lease consists of the following wells:

4 Producers

1 WIW

0 WSW

1 TA'D

- b. Estimated cost to P & A the Jones A-3 \$ 18,000
- c. Current Lease Production rate 20 BPD
- d. There is an estimated 30 MBO remaining reserves, based on current decline curve analysis.
- 10. Applicant has included a plat map showing the locations of all producing, injection, temporarily abandoned, abandoned, and plugged wells located on the same leased premises as the Subject Well.
- 11. Based on the foregoing, Applicant requests the Commission grant an exception to the 10-year limitation, specifically to allow the Subject Well to remain eligible for temporary abandonment status for three (3) years following the expiration of the 10-year limitation. Applicant understands that the exception would be valid for three (3) years, but Applicant would

still need to apply annually to the Conservation Division District Office for approval of an application for temporary abandonment status.

12. Listed in the attached Exhibit "A" are the names and addresses of the following persons:

> Each operator of each oil and gas lease covering lands within one-half (1/2) mile radius of the Subject Well; and

> Each person who owns any mineral interest of record in and under any lands located within one-half (1/2) mile radius of the Subject Well (provided that such mineral interest is not covered by any oil and gas lease).

13. Notice of this Application will be published pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-135a. In addition, notice of the hearing to be held in this matter will be provided as prescribed by K.A.R. 82-3-135.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that this matter be granted administratively without a hearing, or in the alternative be set for hearing, and upon hearing that the Commission grant Applicant's request, for an exception to the K.A.R. 82-3-111 ten (10) year limitation, to allow the Subject Well to remain temporarily abandoned for three (3) years, subject to annual approval by the Conservation Division District Office of an application for temporary abandonment status.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thresher Energy

Inc.

2 Northpoint Dr.

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Houston TX 77060

PH# 713-993-0774

By

# **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF [State]	)
COUNTY OF [County]	) ss: )
Keith Fite, of lawful	age, being duly sworn upon his oath deposes and states:
That he has the author	rity on behalf of Taos Resources Operating Company LLC to file
this application, that he has r	ead the above and foregoing application and is familiar with the
contents thereof; and, that the statements made therein are true and correct to the best of his	
knowledge and belief.	[Signature of Submitter]
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 23 day of Ochbu, 2024.	
REBECA C ROJAS Notary iD #128740139 My Commission Expires September 15, 2027  My Appointment Expires: 5	Notary Public eptimber 15th 2027

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024 true and correct copies of the above and foregoing Application and the Notice of Application were served by depositing copies of the same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to the landowner/s set forth in paragraph 12 of said Application, each party set forth in Exhibit "A" attached to said Application filed by Applicant, and the original to the Kansas Corporation Commission.

Keith Fite

#### EXHIBIT A

A. Each operator of each oil and gas lese covering lands within one-half (1/2) mile radius of the subject well are identified below:

S/2, Sec 10 – 18S – 18W Globe Operating, Inc. PO BOX 12 GREAT BEND, KS 67530

NW/4, Sec 15 – 18S – 18W Zinszer Oil Co., Inc. 1006 W 38TH St Hays, KS, 67601-1516

S/2 W/2, Sec 15 – 18S – 18W Thresher Energy Inc 2 Northpoint Dr Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77060

SW/4, Sec 11 – 18S -18W Open.

B. Each person who owns any mineral interests of record in and under any lands located within one-half (1/2) mile radius of subject well (provided that such material interests is not covered by any oil and gas lease) are identified below:

**SECTION 15, T18S, R18W** 

ACRES 76.8, S2 SE4 LESS RD ROW

JONES & JONES DEC OF TR & DYKES FAMILY TRUST PO BOX 781083 WICHITA, KS 67278

#### ACRES 260.5, S2 NE4,N2 SE4,SW4 LESS 4 TRCTS.

VALLEY VIEW FARMS INC PO BOX 96 ALEXANDER, KS 67513

#### ACRES 78.4, N2 NE4 LESS RD ROW.

POPP, LINDA L ETAL Attn: PEOPLES BANK & TRST PO BOX 1169 MCPHERSON, KS 67460

# ACRES 153.2, NW4 LESS RD ROW.

REINHARDT, KENT REV TRST 418 W DIEL OTIS, KS 67565

C. The name and address of the landowner on whose land the well affected by this

Application is located is identified below:

### **SECTION 15, T18S, R18W**

### ACRES 260.5, S2 NE4,N2 SE4,SW4 LESS 4 TRCTS.

VALLEY VIEW FARMS INC PO BOX 96 ALEXANDER, KS 67513