

**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 application of Norstar) Docket No: 17-CONS-3403-CVAC
Petroleum Inc., for authorization to impose a)
vacuum on its Hume Bros Lease located in) CONSERVATION DIVISION
the NW/4 of Section 34, Township 29 South,)
Range 41 West, Stanton County, Kansas.) License No.: 31652

ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission). Having examined its files and records, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following findings:

1. On December 12, 2016, Norstar Petroleum Inc. (Operator) filed an Application asking the Commission to grant its request to impose a vacuum on three of its wells in Stanton County, Kansas. Operator also asked the Commission to grant its request administratively without a hearing, or in the alternative, to set the matter for hearing.¹

2. On January 19, 2017, the Commission issued in this docket its *Order Designating [a] Prehearing Officer and Setting a Prehearing Conference*, scheduling a Prehearing Conference for February 9, 2017.²

3. At the February 9, 2017, Prehearing Conference, all parties agreed to the following procedural schedule:

Operator Pre-filed Direct Testimony	Due: April 18, 2017
Staff & White Exploration Pre-filed Direct Testimony	Due: April 28, 2017
Rebuttal Testimony	Due: May 8, 2017

¹ Application, p. 4 (Dec. 12, 2016).

² Docket No. 17-CONS-3403-CVAC, *Order Designating [a] Prehearing Officer and Setting a Prehearing Conference*, Ordering Clause C (Jan. 19, 2017).

4. Failure to submit pre-filed testimony will likely result in the Commission restricting the right to testify and present evidence at the evidentiary hearing. At the hearing, the Commission may limit the parties' direct and rebuttal testimony to the pre-filed testimony.

5. Any settlement agreement the parties wish to present for Commission consideration shall be due by May 8, 2017.

6. Any person requiring special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act should notify the Commission at least 10 days before the scheduled hearing date.

7. Any party who fails to attend or participate in the evidentiary hearing or in any other stage of this proceeding may be held in default under the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act.³

8. Pursuant to K.S.A. 55-605 and K.A.R. 82-1-135, the Application in this docket requires Operator to provide proper notice of an evidentiary hearing in this proceeding.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. The procedural schedule set forth in paragraph 2 is adopted.

B. The parties have fifteen (15) days, plus three (3) days if mailed service, from the date this Order was served in which to petition for reconsideration.⁴

C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it deems necessary.

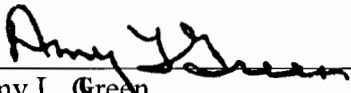
³ K.S.A. 77-518(c)(8); K.S.A. 77-520.

⁴ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Apple, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Emler, Commissioner

Dated: **FEB 28 2017** _____



Amy L. Green
Secretary to the Commission

Date Mailed: March 1, 2017

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on March 1, 2017, 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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