THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:

Pat Apple, Chair Shari Feist Albrecht Jay Scott Emler

In the matter of the application of Beren)	Docket No. 17-CONS-3493-CEXC
Corporation for a third exception to the)	
10-year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for i	its)	
NRSU #3 well located in the NW NW NW)	CONSERVATION DIVISION
of Sec 30, Township 27 South, Range 12)	
West, Pratt County, Kansas)	
·	_)	License No.: 5364

APPLICATION

COMES NOW Beren Corporation ("Operator") for its application in the captioned matter states as follows:

- 1. Operator is a corporation authorized to do business in the State of Kansas. Operator's address is 2020 N. Bramblewood, Wichita, Kansas 67206.
- 2. Operator has been issued by the Kansas Corporation Commission Operator's License #5364, which expires on June 30, 2017.
- 3. Operator is the owner and operator of the NRSU #3 ("the subject well"), API #15-151-11012-00-01 which is located in the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 30, Township 27 South, Range 12 West, Pratt County, Kansas. The subject well comprises the following lands:

Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 19, West Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 30, West Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 30, Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the

Northwest Quarter of Section 31, all in Township 27 South, Range 12 West; and the East Half of the Northeast Quarter and East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, East Half of the Northeast Quarter and Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 36, all in Township 27 South, Range 13 West, Pratt County, Kansas, containing 560 acres, more or less ("leased premises").

- 4. Pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-11, Operator obtained temporary abandonment status for the subject well in March, 1974. The subject well has maintained temporarily abandoned status from March, 1974 to the present date.
- 5. On or about September 18, 2009, the Kansas Corporation Commission notified Operator that temporary abandonment status for the subject well would be denied because the subject well has been temporarily abandoned for more than ten (10) years. Operator filed for and received approval for an exception to K.A.R. 82-3-111 on March 29, 2010.
- 6. On or about January 25th, 2013, the Kansas Corporation Commission notified Operator that the 3 year exception to K.A.R. 82-3-111 was expiring March 29th, 2013. Operator filed for and received approval for an exception to K.A.R. 82-3-111 on February 18th, 2014.
- 7. The 3 year exception to K.A.R 82-3-111 expires February 18th, 2017. K.A.R. 82-3-111 provides for an additional exception to be obtained through an application filed with the Commission. Operator seeks such an exception.
- 8. The subject well has demonstrated mechanical integrity as evidenced by passage of a mechanical integrity test on January 20, 2017, which was witnessed by a member of the Kansas Corporation Commission staff.
- 9. Operator is keeping the subject well for a backup water injection well in the NRSU waterflood unit. Also there is a Lansing B zone behind pipe that had a positive show of oil on

drill stem test. This zone will be prospective for recompletion after the waterflooding operations cease. Plugging the subject well will result in economic waste associated with re-drilling the location for future water injection needs, and loss of possible oil and gas reserves present in the Lansing B zone.

- 10. Operator 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 wells.
- 11. Based on the foregoing, Operator requests the Commission grant an additional exception to the 10-year limitation, specifically to allow the subject well to remain eligible for temporary abandonment status for the three (3) years following the 10-year limitation, subject to yearly renewal with the appropriate Conservation Division District, but without further need to re-apply for a new exception each of the three (3) years prayed for in this application to the Commission.
- 12. Listed in the attached Exhibit "A" are the names and addresses of the following persons:
 - A. Each operator of each oil and gas lease covering lands within one-half (1/2) mile radius of the subject well; and
 - B. 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, Operator prays that this matter be set for hearing, and upon hearing, that the Commission grant Operator's request for a second exception to the 10-year limitation during which wells may be temporarily abandoned pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-111 so as to allow the subject wells to remain temporarily abandoned for three (3) years following the February 18th, 2017 expiration of the second exception to the 10-year limitation, subject to yearly renewal with the appropriate Conservation Division District, but without further need to re-apply for a new exception each of the three (3) years prayed for in this application.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brett Blazer 2020 N. Bramblewood Wichita, KS 67206 316-265-3311 Fax #316-681-4722

Bv:

Signature of Submitter

VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS)	ss:
COUNTY OF SEDGWICK)	55.
Brett Blazer, of lawful age, being	g first duly sworn, upon oath states:
That he has the authority on b	ehalf of Operator to file this application, has read the
application, knows the contents, and kn	ows all of the statements in the application are true and
correct.	
Subscribed and sworn to before r	Signature of Submitter me this 16th day of February, 2017.
A JANICE M. SCHRADER Notary Public - State of Kansas My Appt. Expires 04-09-2019	Janice M. Schooler Notary Public

My appointment expires:

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify on this <u>16th</u> day of <u>February</u>, 2017, 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 11 of said Application and each party set forth in Exhibit "A" attached to said Application filed by Operator, and a digital scan of the application was delivered electronically to the Kansas Corporation Commission.

Name of Signed

EXHIBIT A

Unleased Mineral Owner Henry Helmke P. O. Box 909 Lake Dallas, TX 75065

Lisa Bergner 573 Sunrise Ave. Pratt, KS 67124

Kurt Preisser 130159 NE 40th Cunnington, KS 67035

Beren Corporation

BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS NOTICE OF FILING APPLICATION

RE: BEREN CORPORATION. - - Application for an exception to the 10 year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for the NRSU #3, located in Pratt County, Kansas.

TO: All Oil & Gas Producers, Unleased Mineral Interest Owners, Landowners, and all persons whomever concerned.

You, and each of you, are hereby notified that Beren Corporation has filed an application for a third exception to the 10 year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for the NRSU #3, located in the NW NW NW of Section 30-27S-12W, Pratt County, Kansas.

Any persons who object to or protest this application shall be required to file their objections or protest with the Conservation Division of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas within fifteen (15) days from the date of this publication. These protests shall be filed pursuant to Commission regulations and must state specific reasons why the grant of the application may cause waste, violate correlative rights or pollute the natural resources of the State of Kansas.

All persons interested or concerned shall take notice of the foregoing and shall govern themselves accordingly.

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