# THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:

Jay Scott Emler, Chairman

Shari Feist Albrecht

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Docket No. 16-CONSCEXC	
	CONSERVATION DIVISION
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### **APPLICATION**

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

- 1. Operator is a limited liability company authorized to do business in the State of Kansas. Operator's address is 2020 North Bramblewood, Wichita, Kansas 67206.
- 2. Operator has been issued by the Kansas Corporation Commission Operator's License #34318, which expires on October 30, 2016.
- 3. Operator is the owner and operator of the Schraeder #2 well, API #15-083-10007-0000 which is located in the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 3, Township 24 South, Range 24 West, Hodgeman County, Kansas. The subject well is

located on an active oil and gas lease comprising the following lands: The North Half of Section 3, Township 24 South, Range 24 West, Hodgeman County, Kansas.

- 4. Pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-111, Operator obtained temporary abandonment status for the Schraeder #2 on January 1, 2002. The subject well has maintained such status from January 2002, to the present date.
- 5. On or about April 19, 2016, the Kansas Corporation Commission notified Operator that temporary abandonment status for the subject well was denied 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 regulations through an application filed with the Commission pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-100. Operator seeks such an exception.
- 7. The subject well demonstrated mechanical integrity as evidenced by passage of Commission Staff-witnessed mechanical integrity test on or about April 25, 2016.
- 8. Operator is keeping the subject well for potential use as a salt water disposal well or water injection well. The subject well should not be plugged to prevent economic waste associated with re-drilling for future needs as a disposal or injection well. Estimated cost to plug this well is \$20,000. The cost to restore the well to disposal/injection capability is estimated to be \$90,000. Production from the Schraeder Lease is around 11 BOPD with potential reserves estimated at 40,000 barrels of oil.
- 9. Operator has included a plat map showing the locations of all producing, injection, saltwater disposal, temporarily abandoned, and plugged wells located on the same leased

premises as the subject well. There is one active producing well, one active disposal well, and the subject well on the lease.

- 10. Based on the foregoing, Operator 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 the three (3) years following the expiration of 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.
- 11. 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).
- 12. Notice of this application has been 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,

Andrew J. Moore 2020 No Bramblewood Wichita, KS 67206 316-265-3311 Fax #316-681-4712

By: Mose Signature of Submitter

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2016, true and correct copies of the attached Notice of Filing Application were served by depositing copies of the same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each of the unleased mineral owner(s) and operator(s) set forth in Exhibit "A" attached to said Application filed by Operator, and the above and foregoing original Application was uploaded to the Kansas Corporation Commission via E-filing Express to a new docket.

Name of Signed

And rew J. Moore

#### **EXHIBIT A**

## Schraeder #2 Notice Area

## Surface owner - NW/4 Sec. 3-24S-24W

Schraeder Inc. 26706 SW F Road Jetmore, KS 67854

# Operator - N/2, N/2 SW/4, NW/4 SE/4 Sec. 3-24S-24W

Berexco LLC 2020 N. Bramblewood Wichita, KS 67206

# <u>Unleased mineral owner - S/2 S/2, NE/4 SE/4 Sec. 3-24S-24W</u>

Wilbur W. Schraeder Revocable Trust P. O. Box 667 Jetmore, KS 67854

# <u>Unleased mineral owner – SE/4 Sec. 4-24S-24W</u>

Mike M. Schraeder 26706 SW F Road Jetmore, KS 67854

# <u>Unleased mineral owners – S/2 Sec. 34-23S-34W, NE/4 Sec. 4-24S-24W</u>

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