## THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:

Susan K. Duffy, Chair Shari Feist Albrecht Dwight D. Keen

In the matter of the failure of Kent J. Price ("Operator") to comply with K.A.R. 82-3-120.	,	Docket No: 20-CONS-3192-CPEN
	) ) _)	CONSERVATION DIVISION
		License No: 33492

## PREHEARING OFFICER ORDER SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

Having reviewed the record, the Prehearing Officer makes the following findings:

- 1. On January 9, 2020, the Commission issued a *Penalty Order* against Operator, finding one violation of K.A.R. 82-3-120 because unplugged wells remained on Operator's expired license.<sup>1</sup>
  - 2. On February 6, 2020, Operator requested a hearing.<sup>2</sup>
- 3. On February 13, 2020, the Commission assigned a prehearing officer to this docket.<sup>3</sup> No evidentiary hearing has been held; a status conference set for March 24, 2020, did not occur.<sup>4</sup>
- 4. On March 19, 2020, the Commission issued an *Emergency Order Staying All Dockets*. On April 23, 2020, the Commission issued a *Special Order Regarding Conservation Matters*, stating that the *Emergency Order* no longer applied to conservation division matters, and directing that in dockets where a prehearing officer had been assigned but no evidentiary hearing had been held, that a new prehearing conference be set to establish or re-establish deadlines. 6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Penalty Order, ¶ 10, Exhibit A (Jan. 9, 2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Letter Requesting Hearing (Feb. 6, 2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Order Designating Prehearing Officer and Setting Prehearing Conference (Feb. 13, 2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Prehearing Officer Order Setting Status Conference (Mar. 5, 2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Docket 20-GIMX-393-MIS, Emergency Order Staying All Dockets (Mar. 19, 2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See Docket 20-GIMX-393-MIS, Special Order Regarding Conservation Matters, ¶¶ 7, 9(c) (Apr. 23, 2020).

THEREFORE, THE PREHEARING OFFICER ORDERS:

A. A Prehearing Conference is scheduled for Thursday, May 21, 2020, at 3:30 p.m. by

telephone. The conference call information is: telephone number: (866) 620-7326, Conference Code

PIN: 3902542751.

B. At the Prehearing Conference, parties shall be prepared to discuss deadlines for filing

testimony and briefs, discovery procedures, scheduling of a hearing with the Commission, and/or any

other issues that will promote the orderly and prompt resolution of this proceeding.

BY THE PREHEARING OFFICER IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: May 7, 2020

Isl Jonathan R. Myers

Jonathan R. Myers Prehearing Officer

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true copy o	f the attached Order has been served to the following by means of
first class mail and electronic service on	05/07/2020

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