# 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 Berexco	)	Docket No. 17-CONS- 3644 -CEXC
LLC for an exception to the 10-year	)	
time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for its	)	
Bamberger #6 SWD well located in	)	CONSERVATION DIVISION
the NE SE of Sec 20, T22S, R22W	)	
Hodgeman County, Kansas.	)	
		License No.: 34318

### **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, 2017.
- 3. Operator is the operator of the Bamberger #6 SWD well, API #15-083-10299-0001 which is located in the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 20, Township 22 South, Range 22 West, Hodgeman County, Kansas. The subject well is located on an active oil and gas lease comprising the following lands: All of Section 20, Township 22 South, Range 22 West, Hodgeman County, Kansas.

- 4. Pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-111, Operator obtained temporary abandonment status for the Bamberger #6 SWD effective January 1, 1989. The subject well has maintained such status from January 1989 to the present date.
- 5. 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.
- 6. The subject well demonstrated mechanical integrity as evidenced by passage of Commission Staff-witnessed mechanical integrity test on or about April 20, 2017.
- 7. Operator is keeping the subject well for potential disposal of water into the Topeka zone. The subject well should not be plugged to prevent economic waste associated with redrilling for future needs as a disposal well. Estimated cost to plug this well is \$20,000. The cost to restore the well to injection capability is estimated to be \$40,000. Production from the Bamberger Lease is around 12 BOPD with potential reserves estimated at 45,000 barrels of oil.
- 8. 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 are four active producing wells and one temporarily abandoned disposal well (the subject well) on the lease.
- 9. 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. Operator understands that the exception would be valid for three (3) years, but Operator would

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

- 10. 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).
- 11. 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 N. Bramblewood Wichita, KS 67206 316-265-3311 Fax #316-681-4712

Signature of Submitter

4/28/17

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify on this 28 day of April , 2017, 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.

Andrew J. Moore Clud June Name of Signed

#### **EXHIBIT A**

# Bamberger #6 SWD Notice Area

## Operator – All Sec. 20-22S-22W

Berexco LLC 2020 N. Bramblewood Wichita, KS 67208

## <u>Unleased mineral owners – W/2 Sec. 21-22S-22W</u>

Holmes Brothers Land, LLC 35990 NE O Road Hanston, KS 67849

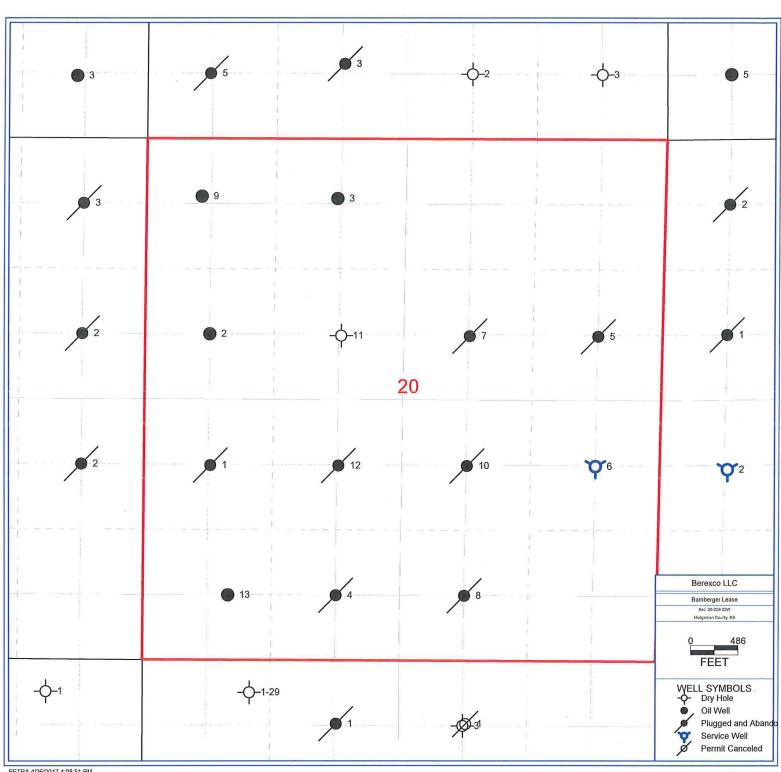
Marily J. Salmans 104 S. Highway St. Hanston, KS 67846-9512

# <u>Unleased mineral owner – NW/4 Sec. 28-22S-22W</u>

Ronda G. Blahut 605 S. Pecan Drive Clinton, MO 64735

## <u>Unleased mineral owner – NE/4 Sec. 29-22S-22W</u>

Jean K. Shiew 519 W. Best St. Jetmore, KS 67854



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