

**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 a Compliance Agreement ) Docket No.: 20-CONS-3290-CMSC  
between Little Chief Energy Corporation )  
(Operator) and Commission Staff regarding ) CONSERVATION DIVISION  
bringing 52 wells into compliance with )  
K.A.R. 82-3-111. ) License No.: 35588

**ORDER APPROVING COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT**

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission). Having examined the files and records, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

1. Commission Staff and Operator have executed a compliance agreement, which is attached hereto as **Attachment A**, and incorporated herein by reference (Agreement).
2. The Agreement provides a fair and efficient resolution of the issues described therein.

**THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:**

- A. The attached Agreement is approved and incorporated into this Order.
- B. Any party may request a hearing on the above issues by submitting a written request, pursuant to K.S.A. 55-164, K.S.A. 77-537, and K.S.A. 77-542, to the Commission at 266 N. Main St., Suite 220, Wichita, Kansas 67202, within 30 days from the date of service of this Order. Hearings will be scheduled only upon written request. Failure to timely request a hearing will result in a waiver of Operator's right to a hearing.
- C. A corporation shall appear before the Commission by a Kansas licensed attorney.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> K.S.A. 77-515(c); K.A.R. 82-1-228(d)(2).

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

**BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Duffy, Chair; Albrecht, Commissioner; Keen, Commissioner

Dated: 06/11/2020 \_\_\_\_\_

  
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Lynn M. Retz  
Executive Director

Mailed Date: 06/11/2020 \_\_\_\_\_

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### **COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT**

This Agreement is between Little Chief Energy Corporation (“Operator”) (License #35588) and the Kansas Corporation Commission Staff (“Staff”). If the Kansas Corporation Commission (“Commission”) does not approve this Agreement as evidenced by a signed order of the Commission, this Agreement shall not be binding on either party.

#### **A. Background**

1. Operator is responsible for the 52 wells (“the subject wells”) on the attached list. All of the subject wells are out of compliance with K.A.R. 82-3-111. Operator has asked for an agreement to avoid penalties while Operator works to plug the subject wells, return them to service, or repair and obtain TA status for such subject wells if eligible. Obtaining TA status shall include application for, and Commission approval of, an exception to the 10-year limit on TA status if applicable. Staff is supportive of an agreement to this effect with the Operator.

#### **B. Terms of Compliance Agreement**

2. By September 30, 2020, Operator shall plug, return to service, or repair and obtain temporary abandonment status for 2 of the subject wells. Operator shall plug, return to service, or repair and obtain temporary abandonment status for an additional 2 subject wells within each three calendar months thereafter, resulting in all subject wells being returned to compliance by December 31, 2026. Staff may prioritize the order in which the subject wells are addressed pursuant to this Agreement by indicating priority on the attached list and may adjust the prioritization at any time during this Agreement should a subject well or wells become known to Staff to be a pollution or public safety threat. Operator shall notify Staff in writing of all subject wells returned to service during each three calendar month period throughout the term of this Agreement.

3. Upon good cause shown, the Operator may receive an extension of the time to achieve compliance for up to 30 days from an applicable deadline pursuant to this Agreement so that the Operator may plug, return to service, or repair and TA the well or wells that was or were the subject of the applicable deadline. If the Operator seeks a time extension for any deadline under this Agreement, the Operator shall request such an extension at least seven days prior to the applicable deadline. Staff will file a status update in the docket created for this matter containing the District Supervisor’s recommendation to approve or deny the extension and place an order requesting Commission approval of the terms of the status update on the next available Consent Agenda for Commission consideration and possible approval. If Operator is denied a requested

extension by the Commission or otherwise remains out of compliance with this Agreement for any other reason, Staff shall immediately send a Notice of Non-Compliance and License Suspension to Operator, which shall suspend the Operator's license and become effective 10 days from the date of the Notice of Non-Compliance and License Suspension. The Operator's license shall remain suspended until well plugging or repair is resumed in accordance with the compliance schedule contained in the Status Update. If Staff finds that the Operator is conducting oil and gas operations after 10 days from the date of a Notice of Non-Compliance and License Suspension, and Operator's license remains suspended, Staff is authorized to seal all of Operator's oil and gas operations.

4. This Agreement, in its entirety, may be transferable between operators only by an Order of the Commission approving the transfer. Staff will file a status update in the docket created for this matter containing a recommendation regarding any proposed transfer between operators and will place an order regarding the transfer on the next available Consent Agenda for Commission consideration and possible approval. If the Operator intends to transfer any of the subject wells to another Operator, but does not intend to transfer this Agreement in its entirety, such subject wells must be returned to compliance pursuant to Commission, rules, regulations, or orders before Staff will process the transfer.

5. Except as provided by and under this Agreement, Staff will not pursue Operator for any violation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for the subject wells that occurred or occurs prior to December 31, 2026, except for wells brought into compliance after Commission approval of this Agreement that subsequently fall out of compliance and remain the Operator's responsibility under the Operator's license.

6. This Agreement may be amended to add additional wells with the written consent of the District Supervisor. If this Agreement is amended, then Staff shall file a status update in the Commission docket created for this matter, also indicating that Operator is not opposed to the addition of the wells. The addition of wells may not change the number of wells to be brought into compliance each calendar quarter, but may extend the final compliance deadline. Any changes to a previously approved timeline will be included in the status update. Staff will place an order approving the addition of wells and extending the final compliance deadline on the next available Consent Agenda for Commission consideration and possible approval.

7. Operator may bring more than 2 wells into compliance during any three calendar month term. The excess number of wells brought into compliance will be attributed to a future three-month compliance period.


8. None of the subject wells to be brought into compliance hereunder are currently authorized for injection. Upon Commission approval of this Agreement, Staff shall revoke the Operator's injection authorization for such subject wells that are to be plugged. These subject wells are highlighted in yellow on the attached list, and have an "x" marked in the far right column.

9. After this Agreement has been in effect for two years, Staff may reopen negotiation with Operator about the terms of this Agreement at any time, upon giving Operator written notice of Staff's intent to do so. If Staff and Operator are unable to agree to new terms, and to submit those terms to the Commission for its consideration and possible approval within 90 days of Staff's written notice, then this Agreement shall be terminated upon Staff's filing a statement to that effect in the Commission docket for this matter.

Commission Staff

Little Chief Energy Corporation #35588

By: 

By: 

Printed Name: Troy A. Russell

Printed Name: Byron R Bokes

Title: District #3 Supervisor

Title: President

Date: 5/4/2020

Date: 4/30/2020



## Little Chief Energy Corporation KLN 35588

Count	Well Name	API#	Spot	Sec	Twp	Rng	Type	DATE OF COMPLIANCE	COMPLIANCE	Wells Due Per Quarter
<b>CHAUTAUQUA</b>										
FLOSSIE WHITE	8	15-019-20695-00-00	SENWSE	22	34	11	OIL			2
FLOSSIE WHITE	9	15-019-20696-00-00	SWNESE	22	34	11	OIL			2
FLOSSIE-WHITE	21	15-019-26465-00-00	NWNWNE	22	34	11	OIL			2
FLOSSIE-WHITE	3	15-019-20628-00-02	NWNESE	22	34	11	OIL			2
FLOSSIE-WHITE	31	15-019-26412-00-00	NWNWNE	22	34	11	OIL			2
FLOSSIE-WHITE	32	15-019-26410-00-00	SWNWNE	22	34	11	OIL			2
FLOSSIE-WHITE	4	15-019-20629-00-02	NWSENE	22	34	11	OIL			2
FLOSSIE-WHITE	5	15-019-20630-00-01	SENESE	22	34	11	OIL			2
FLOSSIE-WHITE	6	15-019-20631-00-00	SESWNE	22	34	11	OIL			2
HARTZELL	10	15-019-19553-00-01	SWSWNW	19	34	12	OIL			2
HARTZELL	11	15-019-40799-00-00	SENESE	19	34	12	OIL			2
HARTZELL	25	15-019-19799-00-00	SWSWSW	19	34	12	OIL			2
HARTZELL	26	15-019-40800-00-00	NENESW	19	34	12	OIL			2
HARTZELL	28	15-019-20124-00-00	SESENE	19	34	12	OIL			2
HARTZELL	31	15-019-20153-00-00	NENESW	19	34	12	OIL			2
HARTZELL	32	15-019-20154-00-00	SENESE	19	34	12	OIL			2

Count	Well Name	API#	Spot	Sec	Twp	Rng	Type	DATE OF COMPLIANCE	COMPLIANCE	Attachment A	
										Wells Due	Per Quarter
HARTZELL	33	15-019-20157-00-00	SWNWSW	19	34	12	OIL				2
HARTZELL	35	15-019-20179-00-02	NWSESW	19	34	12	OIL				2
HARTZELL	37	15-019-20248-00-00	NESWNW	19	34	12	OIL				2
HARTZELL	40	15-019-20309-00-00	NWSESW	19	34	12	OIL				2
HARTZELL	46	15-019-20497-00-00	NENESESW	19	34	12	OIL				2
HARTZELL	7	15-019-19798-00-00	NENWSW	19	34	12	OIL				2
HARTZELL	9	15-019-19552-00-01	NWSWNW	19	34	12	OIL				2
STAFFORD	12	15-019-40744-00-00	SWNENE	8	34	12	OIL				2
STAFFORD	15	15-019-40746-00-00	NESENE	8	34	12	OIL				2
STAFFORD	18	15-019-40749-00-00	SENE	8	34	12	OIL				2
STAFFORD	19	15-019-20381-00-00	NESENE	8	34	12	OIL				2
STAFFORD	20	15-019-40750-00-00	SWNENE	8	34	12	OIL				2
STAFFORD	21	15-019-40751-00-00	NESENE	8	34	12	OIL				2
STAFFORD	22	15-019-40752-00-00	NWSENE	8	34	12	OIL				2
STAFFORD	24	15-019-40753-00-00	NESENE	8	34	12	OIL				2
STAFFORD	26	15-019-20374-00-00	SESENE	8	34	12	OIL				2
STAFFORD	27	15-019-20375-00-00	SESENE	8	34	12	OIL				2
STAFFORD	29	15-019-20449-00-00	NWNENE	8	34	12	OIL				2

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Count	Well Name	API#	Spot	Sec	Twp	Rng	Type	DATE OF COMPLIANCE	COMPLIANCE	Wells Due Per Quarter
STAFFORD	30	15-019-20463-00-00	SESENE	8	34	12	OIL			2
STAFFORD	32	15-019-20478-00-00	SWSENE	8	34	12	OIL			2
STAFFORD	33	15-019-20734-00-00	NWNENE	8	34	12	OIL			2
STAFFORD	36	15-019-40754-00-00	SWNENE	8	34	12	OIL			2
STAFFORD	37	15-019-24203-00-00	NWSENE	8	34	12	OIL			2
STAFFORD	4-2	15-019-24906-00-00	NESWNE	8	34	12	OIL			2
STAFFORD	5	15-019-40755-00-00	NWNENE	8	34	12	OIL			2
STAFFORD KHUS	1	15-019-40743-00-00	SWNWNE	8	34	12	OIL			2
STAFFORD KHUS	3	15-019-25393-00-00	NENENE	8	34	12	OIL			2
WITHAM	101A	15-019-25879-00-00	SESESW	18	35	12	OIL			2
WITHAM	103-A	15-019-26045-00-00	SWSWSE	18	35	12	OIL			2
WITHAM	105	15-019-26191-00-00	SENESEW	18	35	12	OIL			2
WITHAM	106	15-019-26192-00-00	NESESW	18	35	12	OIL			2
WITHAM	17-A	15-019-20540-00-00	SWSESW	18	35	12	OIL			2
WITHAM	27	15-019-20692-00-00	SESENESEW	18	35	12	OIL			2
WITHAM	28-A	15-019-21624-00-00	NWSESW	18	35	12	OIL			2
WITHAM	OW 1	15-019-40870-00-00	NWSWSW	18	35	12	OIL			2
WITHAM	OW 2	15-019-40871-00-00	NESWSW	18	35	12	OIL			2



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Wells To Be Brought Into Compliance	52	Cumulative Compliance Objective For End of Current Quarter	2
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Current Quarter End Date	9/30/2020
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## Compliance Agreement Schedule for Little Chief Oil &amp; Gas #35588

Wells to be brought into compliance per Quarter, per year ending December 31, 2026.

Q1 Jan	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Feb							
Mar		2	2	2	2	2	2
Q2 Apr							
May							
Jun		2	2	2	2	2	2
Q3 Jul							
Aug							
Sep	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Q4 Oct							
Nov							
Dec	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Year Ending	4	8	8	8	8	8	8
Totals							

Total Wells Brought into Compliance ending December 31, 2026: 52

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following by means of first class mail and electronic service on 06/11/2020.

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