

**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 Notice of Denial of) Docket No: 17-CONS-3452-CMSC
License Renewal Application to Noble)
Petroleum, Inc.) CONSERVATION DIVISION
)
) License No. 31389

ORDER CLOSING DOCKET

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission). Having examined its files and records, and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

1. On January 17, 2017, Commission Staff (Staff) issued a Notice of Denial of License Renewal Application to Noble Petroleum, Inc. (Operator), stating that individuals associated with Operator are associated with entities not in compliance with Commission statutes, regulations and orders.

2. On January 19, 2017, Operator filed its request for a hearing in this matter.

3. On February 9, 2017, the Commission issued its *Order Designating Prehearing Officer and Setting Prehearing Conference*, scheduling a Prehearing Conference in this matter.¹

4. On March 3, 2017, Staff filed a Motion to Close [the] Docket, stating that any problems with granting Operator a license have been resolved to Staff's satisfaction, and Staff no longer wishes to contest Operator's license application.² Staff noted it has processed Operator's application, and Operator is now licensed.³ Thus, Staff requested that the docket be closed.⁴

¹ Docket No. 17-CONS-3452-CMSC, *Order Designating Prehearing Officer and Setting Prehearing Conference*, Ordering Clause B (Feb. 9, 2017).

² Motion to Close Docket, p. 1 (Mar. 3, 2017).

³ *Id.*

5. Based on Staff's Motion, the Commission affirms Staff's review and resolution of the issues concerning Operator's license application. The Commission is satisfied with Staff's administrative processing and granting of Operator's license. Thus, the Commission finds the matter is appropriately resolved, and this docket should be closed.


THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- A. This docket is closed.
- B. The parties have fifteen (15) days, plus three (3) days if mailed service, from the date this Order was served in which to petition for reconsideration.⁵
- C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it deems necessary.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Apple, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Emler, Commissioner

Dated: MAR 14 2017



Amy L. Green
Secretary to the Commission

Date Mailed: March 14, 2017

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⁴ *Id.*

⁵ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on 3/14/17, I caused a complete and accurate copy of this Order to be served via United States mail, with the postage prepaid and properly addressed to the following:

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