

**BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

In the matter of the application of Merit Energy Company, LLC for an order granting an exception of the oil production allowable assigned to its Black Knight 28-1 located in the SE/4 of Section 28, Township 27 South, Range 33 West, Haskell County, Kansas.)	Docket No.: 21-CONS-3211-CALL
)	CONSERVATION DIVISION
)	License No.: 32446

**MOTION TO MAKE APPLICATION PUBLIC, GRANT APPLICATION,
AND CANCEL PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

The Staff of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Staff and Commission, respectively) submits its Motion to Make Application Public, Grant Application, and Cancel Prehearing Conference. In support of its motion, Staff states the following:

1. On April 7, 2021, Merit Energy Company, LLC (Operator) filed an application under confidentiality seeking a special oil production allowable pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-203 for its Black Knight #28-1 well (Subject Well), API #15-081-22198.
2. On April 20, 2021, Operator filed affidavits of publication from The Haskell County Monitor-Chief and The Wichita Eagle.
3. On June 2, 2021, Staff filed a motion requesting the designation of a Presiding Officer and the Scheduling of a Prehearing Conference.
4. After the filing of Staff's June 2nd motion, the parties were able to resolve the issue of confidentiality regarding Operator's application. Subsequently, Staff moves for the application be made public. Operator has expressed that is not opposed to the application becoming public at this time.
5. If Operator's application is made public, then Commission Staff has had the opportunity to review Operator's application and recommends that Operator's Application be granted in order to prevent waste and protect the correlative rights of all involved. Since further

proceedings would be unnecessary upon the granting of the application, Staff also moves for the prehearing conference scheduled for Thursday, June 24, 2021, be cancelled.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons described above, Staff respectfully moves the Commission to make Operator's Application public, grant Operator's Application, and cancel the prehearing conference scheduled for Thursday, June 24, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true copy of the attached Motion to Make Application Public, Grant Application, and Cancel Prehearing Conference has been served to the following by means of first class mail and electronic service on June 9, 2021.

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