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## BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

| In the matter of resolving various regulatory violations associated with Ace Energy, LLC (Operator).    | ) | Docket Nos.: <b>23-CONS-3017-CPEN</b> 23-CONS-3029-CPEN 23-CONS-3087-CPEN 23-CONS-3135-CPEN |
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|   | ) | CONSERVATION DIVISION   |
|   | ) | License No.: 34998  |
| In the matter of the application of Ace<br>Energy, LLC (Operator) for an Operator's<br>License Renewal. | ) | Docket No.: 23-CONS-3143-CMSC   |
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## PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Staff of the State Corporation of the State of Kansas (Staff and Commission, respectively) hereby submits its *Proposed Procedural Schedule* pursuant to the *Presiding Officer Order Directing Submission of Proposed Procedural Schedule* filed February 14, 2023. In support of Staff's proposed schedule, Staff states as follows:

- 1. The Commission issued the first *Penalty Order* in this set of consolidated dockets on July 28, 2022.<sup>1</sup> It has therefore been nearly seven months since the issuance of the first order in this docket. Administrative efficiency compels the development of a procedural schedule that will lead to a prompt evidentiary hearing before the Commission.
  - 2. As such, Staff proposes the following procedural schedule:

Commission Staff Pre-Filed Direct Testimony
Operator Pre-Filed Direct & Rebuttal Testimony
Commission Staff Pre-Filed Rebuttal Testimony
Evidentiary Hearing before the Commission

Due: March 24, 2023
Due: April 7, 2023
Due: April 21, 2023
To Be Determined

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Docket 23-CONS-3017-CPEN, *Penalty Order* (Jul. 28, 2022).

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests the Commission adopt its proposed procedural schedule.

Respectfully Submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true and correct copy of the attached Proposed Procedural Schedule has been served to the following by means of electronic service on February 23, 2023.

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