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THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:

Pat Apple, Chairman Shari Feist Albrecht Jay Scott Emler

In the Matter of an Order to Show Cause issued to Rodney Noe dba R-Jann-N Oil ("Operator") regarding responsibility under K.S.A. 55-179 for unplugged wells on an expired license. Docket No. 17-CONS-3301-CSHO

CONSERVATION DIVISION

License No. 7892

PROPOSED ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Commission Staff proposes the attached Order Approving Settlement as a means of

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resolving this docket.

Respectfully submitted,

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of Kansas. 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 settlement agreement, which is

attached as an exhibit to this Order and incorporated by reference.

2. The settlement agreement provides a fair and efficient resolution of this matter.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- A. The settlement agreement is approved and incorporated into this Order.
- B. The pre-hearing conference in this docket is cancelled.
- C. Any party affected by this Order may file with the Commission a petition for

reconsideration pursuant to K.S.A. 77-529(a). The petition shall be filed within 15 days after service of this Order. If service of this Order is by mail, three days are added to the deadline. The petition shall be addressed to the Commission and sent to 266 N. Main, Ste. 220, Wichita, Kansas 67202. Pursuant to K.S.A. 55-606 and K.S.A. 77-529(a), reconsideration is prerequisite for judicial review of this Order. D. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties for the

purpose of entering such further order or orders as it may deem necessary.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Apple, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Emler, Commissioner

Dated: _____

Lynn M. Retz Secretary to the Commission

Mailed Date: _____

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SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This Agreement is between Rodney Noe ("Operator") and Commission Staff ("Staff"). If the Commission does not approve this Agreement by a signed Order, then this Agreement shall not be binding on either party. This Agreement shall settle the proceedings in Commission Docket Number 17-CONS-3301-CSHO.

A. Background

1. On October 20, 2016, Commission Staff filed a Motion for an Order to Show Cause, regarding unplugged well(s) remaining on Operator's expired license.

2. Operator acknowledges that he is responsible for the Grosdider W9 (API 15-133-02624-00-00) ("subject woll"), but requests additional time to plug the well. Staff is willing to enter into such agreemont.

B. Terms of Settlement Agreement

3. By September 1, 2017, Operator shall plug the subject well. If Operator fails to comply with this deadline, then Operator shall be assessed a \$1,000 penalty. If the subject well is not plugged by December 1, 2017, Operator shall be assessed an additional \$1,000 penalty, and Staff may plug the well and assess the costs to Operator.

4. Operator agrees to waive its right to appeal the Commission's Order approving this Agreement, and any penalties or costs assessed under this Agreement.

Commission Staff

Rodney Noe

By: Joshn D. Wright By: Rodney Me Printed Name: Joshna D. Wright Printed Name: Rodney Noe Title: <u>Litigation Course</u> Title: <u>Operator</u> Date: <u>6-15-17</u> Date: <u>6-13-17</u>

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on (2) (2), I caused a complete and accurate copy of this Proposed Order Approving Settlement Agreement to be served via United States mail, with the postage prepaid and properly addressed to the following:

Rodney Noe dba R-Jann-N Oil RR1 St. Paul, KS 66771

and delivered by e-mail to:

Joshua D. Wright, Litigation Counsel KCC Central Office

Samuel Feather, Deputy General Counsel KCC Topeka Office

<u>/s/ Paula J. Murray</u> Paula J. Murray Legal Assistant Kansas Corporation Commission