# BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the matter of the Application of Oil Producers,	)	Docket No. 26-CONS-3038-CEXC
Inc. of Kansas for an exception to the 10-year	)	
time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for its	)	CONSERVATION DIVISON
Fromme #1 well located in the SE/4 of Section 15,	)	
Township 29 South, Range 20 West, Kiowa	)	License No.: 8061
County, Kansas.	)	

#### **APPLICATION**

COMES NOW Oil Producers Inc., of Kansas ("Operator") in support of its Application in the captioned matter and states as follows:

- Operator is a corporation, authorized to do business in the State of Kansas at 1710
  Waterfront Parkway, Wichita, KS 67206.
- 2. Operator has been issued by the Kansas Corporation Commission, Operator's License 8061, which expires January 30, 2026.
- 3. Operator is the owner and operator of the Fromme #1 well, API # 15-097-21447-00-01 ("subject well"), which is located in the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section 15, Township 29 South, Range 20 West, Kiowa County, Kansas. The subject well is included in an active oil and gas lease or unit comprising these described lands.
- 4. Pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-111, Operator obtained temporary abandonment status, for the subject well on January 15, 2015. The subject well has maintained such status from January 15, 2015, to the present date.
- 5. On or about March 11, 2025, the Kansas Corporation Commission notified Operator that temporary abandonment status for the subject well will be denied from and after

- April 12, 2025, because subject well has been temporarily abandoned for more than ten (10) years.
- 6. K.A.R. 82-3-111 imposes a 10-year limitation on the amount of the time during which wells may be temporarily abandoned, but an exception to the 10-year limitation may be obtained pursuant to said regulation through an Application filed with the Commission pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-100. Operator seeks such an exception.
- 7. On or about July 23, 2025, the subject well passed a Commission Staff-witnessed mechanical integrity test of the casing between the surface and a point within fifty (50) feet above the uppermost perforation in subject well.
- 8. Operator requests this 3-year extension to preserve the options of possible future return of the well into production, or the possible re-completion for disposal utilization within this section. This subject well should not be plugged to prevent economic waste associated with re-drilling for future possible needs as a saltwater disposal well. The estimated cost to plug this well is \$35,000.00.
- Operator has included a plat map showing the locations of all producing, injection, temporarily abandoned, abandoned, and plugged wells located on the same leased premises as the subject well.
- 10. Based on the foregoing, Operator requests the Commission grant an exception to the 10-year limitation, specifically to allow the subject well to remain eligible for temporary abandonment status for three (3) years following the expiration of the 10-year limitation. Operator understands that the exception would be valid for three (3) years, but Operator would still need to apply annually to the Conservation Division District Office for the approval of an application for temporary abandonment status.

11. Listed in the attached Exhibit "A are the names and addresses of the following

persons:

a. Each operator of each oil and gas lease covering lands within one-half (1/2)

mile radius of the subject well; and

b. Each person who owns any mineral interest of record in and under any lands

located within one-half (1/2) mile radius of subject well (provided that such

mineral interest is not covered by any oil and gas lease).

12. Notice of this Application has been published pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-135a. In

addition, notice of the hearing to be held in this matter will be provided as prescribed

by K.A.R. 82-3-135.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that this matter be granted administratively without

a hearing, or in the alternative be set for hearing, and upon hearing that the Commission

grant Applicant's request, for an exception to the K.A.R. 82-3-111 ten (10) year

limitation, to allow the subject well to remain temporarily abandoned for three (3) years,

subject to annual approval by the Conservation Division District Office of an application

for temporary abandonment status.

Respectfully Submitted,

Oil Producers Inc. of Kansas

1710 Waterfront Parkway

Wichita, KS 67206

Phone: (316)681-0231

Scott M. Lawson, Chief Operating Officer

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# **EXHIBIT "A"**

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## NOTICE OF FILING APPLICATION BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

RE: Oil Producers, Inc. of Kansas - Application seeking exception to the 10-year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for the Fromme #1 well, located in the SE/4 of Section 15, Township 29 South, Range 20 West, Kiowa County, Kansas.

TO: All Oil & Gas Producers, Unleased Mineral Interest Owners, Landowners, and all persons whomever concerned.

You, and each of you, are hereby notified that Oil Producers, Inc. of Kansas, has filed an application for an exception to the 10-year time limitation of K.A. R. 82-3-111 for the Fromme #1 well, located in the SE/4 of Section 15, Township 29 South, Range 20 West, Kiowa County, Kansas.

Any person who objects to, or intends to protest this application, shall be required to file their objections or protests with the Conservation Division of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas within fifteen (15) days from the date of this publication. These protests shall be filed pursuant to Commission regulations and must state specific reasons why the grant of the application may cause waste, violate correlative rights, or pollute the natural resources of the State of Kansas.

All persons interested or concerned shall take notice of the foregoing and shall govern themselves accordingly.

Oil Producers, Inc. of Kansas 1710 Waterfront Parkway Wichita, Kansas 67206 (316) 681-0231

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025, true and correct copies of the Application were served by depositing copies of the same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, to the names and addresses set forth in Exhibit "A" above; and the foregoing original Application was uploaded to the Kansas Corporation Commission via E-filing Express to a new docket.

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