

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

Before Commissioners:                    Andrew J. French, Chairperson  
    Dwight D. Keen  
    Annie Kuether

In the matter of the failure of Rockin Bar )    Docket No.: 25-CONS-5646-CPEN  
Nothin Ranch, Inc. (Operator) to report )  
activity that occurred during the 2024 )    CONSERVATION DIVISION  
calendar year in compliance with K.A.R. 82- )  
3-409. )    License No.: 33297

**PENALTY ORDER**

The Commission finds Operator has violated K.A.R. 82-3-409 at the wells identified in the attached Exhibit A, directs Operator to remedy the violations by filing past-due annual fluid injection reports, assesses a \$1,700 penalty, and further rules as more fully described below.

**I. JURISDICTION**

1.     K.S.A. 74-623 provides the Commission exclusive jurisdiction and authority to regulate oil and gas activities in Kansas. K.S.A. 55-152 provides the Commission with jurisdiction to regulate the construction, operation, and abandonment of any well, and also the protection of the usable water of this state from any actual or potential pollution from any well. The Commission has licensing authority under K.S.A. 55-155.

2.     K.S.A. 55-162 and K.S.A. 55-164 provide the Commission authority to issue penalty orders for violations of Chapter 55 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, or of any rule, regulation, or order of the Commission. Under K.S.A. 55-164, a penalty order may include a monetary penalty of up to \$10,000, the penalty must constitute a substantial and actual economic deterrent to the violation, and each day of a continuing violation constitutes a separate violation.

3. K.A.R. 82-3-409(b) provides that each operator of an injection well shall submit a report to the Conservation Division, on a form required by the Commission, showing for the previous calendar year the following information:

- a. The monthly average wellhead pressure;
- b. The maximum wellhead pressure;
- c. The amount and kind of fluid injected into each well; and
- d. Any other performance information that may be required by the Conservation Division.<sup>1</sup>

4. K.A.R. 82-3-409(b) further provides that the report shall be submitted on or before March 1 of the following year, and that failure to timely file an annual injection report shall be punishable by a \$100 penalty.

## **II. FINDINGS OF FACT**

5. Operator was responsible in 2024 for the care and control of the injection wells listed in Exhibit A (Subject Wells).<sup>2</sup>

6. On April 21, 2025, Commission Staff sent a Notice of Violation (NOV) letter to Operator, stating that the Commission was not in receipt of the annual fluid injection reports for activity during the 2024 calendar year for the Subject Wells. The NOV letter gave a May 5, 2025, deadline for Operator to submit the reports and avoid a penalty.<sup>3</sup>

7. To date, Operator has failed to file the annual fluid injection reports for the Subject Wells, reporting activity during the 2024 calendar year.

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<sup>1</sup> K.A.R. 82-3-409.

<sup>2</sup> Exhibit A.

<sup>3</sup> Exhibit B.

### III. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

8. The Commission has jurisdiction over Operator and this matter under K.S.A. 74-623 and K.S.A. 55-152.

9. Operator has committed seventeen violations of K.A.R. 82-3-409 because Operator failed to file the necessary annual fluid injection reports for the Subject Wells.

#### **THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:**

A. Operator shall pay a \$1,700 penalty.

B. Operator shall file the required annual fluid injection reports.

C. Operator may request a hearing on the above issues by submitting a written request, pursuant to K.S.A. 55-164, K.S.A. 77-537, and K.S.A. 77-542, to the Commission at 266 N. Main St., Suite 220, Wichita, Kansas 67202, within 30 days from the date of service of this Order. A request for hearing must comply with K.A.R. 82-1-219.

D. Failure to timely request a hearing will result in a waiver of Operator's right to a hearing. If no party timely requests a hearing, then this Order shall become final. If Operator is not in compliance with this Order and the Order is final, then Operator's license shall be suspended without further notice and shall remain suspended until Operator complies. The notice and opportunity for a hearing on this Order shall constitute the notice required by K.S.A. 77-512 regarding license suspension. A party may petition for reconsideration of a final order pursuant to the requirements and time limits established by K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).<sup>4</sup>

E. Credit card payments may be made by calling the Conservation Division at 316-337-6200. Checks and money orders shall be payable to the Kansas Corporation Commission.

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<sup>4</sup> See K.S.A. 55-162; K.S.A. 55-164; K.S.A. 55-606; K.S.A. 55-707; K.S.A. 77-503(c); K.S.A. 77-531(b).

Payments shall be mailed to the Kansas Corporation Commission at 266 N. Main St., Suite 220, Wichita, Kansas 67202. Payments must reference the docket number of this proceeding.

**BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.**

French, Chairperson; Keen, Commissioner; Kuether, Commissioner

Dated: 06/24/2025



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Celeste Chaney-Tucker  
Executive Director

Mailed Date: 06/24/2025

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# Exhibit A

## Rockin Bar Nothin Ranch, Inc. License: 33297

Subject Wells				
API Well #	Lease Name/ Well #	Well Locations	County	UIC Permit
15-125-19923-00-01	SMOTHERMON 10	14-34S-14E, SWSESE, 396FSL 1099FEL	MONTGOMERY	E20415.3
15-125-21017-00-00	SMOTHERMON 4	14-34S-14E, NWSESESE, 409FSL 434FEL	MONTGOMERY	E20415.1
15-125-27403-00-01	MELANDER A M 13	11-34S-14E, NENWSW, 2405FSL 3957FEL	MONTGOMERY	E24583.1
15-125-27878-00-01	FLANAGAN 13	11-34S-14E, SWSENW, 2852FSL 3826FEL	MONTGOMERY	E24171.2
15-125-30941-00-00	SMOTHERMON 13RBN	14-34S-14E, NWSWSE, 877FSL 1992FEL	MONTGOMERY	E20415.4
15-125-30945-00-01	SMOTHERMON 25RBN	14-34S-14E, NESESW, 958FSL 2778FEL	MONTGOMERY	E20415.5
15-125-31349-00-00	SMOTHERMON 27RBN	14-34S-14E, NWSWSWSE, 348FSL 2567FEL	MONTGOMERY	E20415.6
15-125-31351-00-01	SMOTHERMON 29	14-34S-14E, SESWSE, 315FSL 1781FEL	MONTGOMERY	E20415.7
15-125-31564-00-02	FOBIAN 08-22	12-34S-13E, NENWNWNE, 4960FSL 2168FEL	MONTGOMERY	D30498.0
15-125-31704-00-00	FOBIAN 31	12-34S-13E, SWSENWNE, 3982FSL 1799FEL	MONTGOMERY	E30338.1
15-125-31705-00-00	FOBIAN 32	12-34S-13E, SWNESWNE, 3359FSL 1763FEL	MONTGOMERY	E30338.2
15-125-31819-00-00	FOBIAN 08-36	12-34S-13E, NENWNESE, 2348FSL 943FEL	MONTGOMERY	D30301.0
15-125-32062-00-01	FLANAGAN RBN 5	11-34S-14E, SESENW, 2813FSL 3117FEL	MONTGOMERY	E24171.4
15-125-32065-00-01	MELANDER RBN 8	11-34S-14E, SWNENW, 4034FSL 3713FEL	MONTGOMERY	E24171.5
15-125-32519-00-00	MELANDER RBN 18	11-34S-14E, SWNWNW, 4074FSL 4763FEL	MONTGOMERY	E24171.6
15-125-32520-00-00	MELANDER RBN 19	11-34S-14E, SWSENW, 3108FSL 3557FEL	MONTGOMERY	E24171.7
15-125-01218-00-01	MELANDER A SHINNN 1	11-34S-14E, SWNWSW, 1435FSL 5091FEL	MONTGOMERY	E24583.2

Andrew J. French, Chairperson  
Dwight D. Keen, Commissioner  
Annie Kuether, Commissioner

Laura Kelly, Governor

April 21, 2025

Brandon Owens  
Rockin Bar Nothin Ranch, Inc.  
2339 CR 2800  
INDEPENDENCE KS 67301-7187

License No. 33297

**NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

**Re: Annual Fluid Injection Report Form(s) - ("U3C Form")**

Operator:

Commission records indicate that for the well(s) on the attached list,

**We have not received the necessary U3C Form(s), reporting activity during the 2024 calendar year.**

It is a violation of K.A.R. 82-3-409 for an operator to fail to submit a U3C Form in a timely manner. Forms reporting activity during the 2024 calendar year were due March 1, 2025.

**Failure to submit a complete, accurate U3C Form  
for the well(s) on the attached list  
by May 05, 2025  
shall be punishable by a \$100 per-well administrative penalty.**

The information requested above must be submitted on KOLAR. If a U3C Form is returned to you as incomplete, you will not have additional time - the deadline above governs.

Forms must be filed regardless of whether injection occurred. If you were responsible for the well before December 31, 2024, even for only part of the year, you must still file a U3C Form.

Please contact me at (316) 337-6236 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Cheri Boyer, KCC Staff  
Kansas Corporation Commission

### **List of Wells: Missing U3C Form**

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following by means of first class mail and electronic service on 06/24/2025.

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