

**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 ) Docket No. 18-CONS-3091-CSHO  
issued to Bill J. Pickett (“Operator”) )  
regarding responsibility under K.S.A. 55-179 ) CONSERVATION DIVISION  
for unplugged wells on an expired license. )  
\_\_\_\_\_ ) License No. 8019

**PREHEARING OFFICER ORDER CONTINUING PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission). Having reviewed the pleadings and record, the Prehearing Officer makes the following findings:

1. On October 24, 2017, the Commission issued its *Order to Show Cause, Designating a Prehearing Officer, and Setting a Prehearing Conference* (Show Cause Order), scheduling a Prehearing Conference for November 14, 2017.<sup>1</sup>

2. On November 9, 2017, Commission Conservation Staff (Staff) filed a Motion asking the Commission to reschedule the Prehearing Conference to the first full week in February because Staff believes resolution of this matter may be achieved without a hearing.<sup>2</sup>

3. Thus, the Prehearing Officer finds the Prehearing Conference shall be continued to **February 8, 2018, at 10:30 a.m.**

**THEREFORE, THE PREHEARING OFFICER ORDERS:**

A. The Prehearing Conference shall be rescheduled for **Thursday, February 8, 2018, at 10:30 a.m.** by telephone. The conference call information is: telephone number: (866) 620-7326, Conference Code PIN: 7632914771#.

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<sup>1</sup> Show Cause Order, Ordering Clause C (Oct. 24, 2017).

<sup>2</sup> Motion to Reschedule Prehearing Conference, p. 1 (Nov. 9, 2017).

B. Any party that fails to attend or participate in the Prehearing Conference, hearing, or other stage of this proceeding may be held in default pursuant to the KAPA.<sup>3</sup>

C. A corporation shall appear before the Commission by a Kansas licensed attorney.<sup>4</sup>

D. Parties have 15 days from the date of electronic service of this Order to petition for reconsideration.<sup>5</sup>

E. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it deems necessary.

Dated: November 15, 2017

/s/ *Michael J. Duenes*

Michael J. Duenes  
Prehearing Officer

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<sup>3</sup> K.S.A. 77-516(c)(8); K.S.A. 77-520.

<sup>4</sup> K.S.A. 77-515(c); K.A.R. 82-1-228(d)(2).

<sup>5</sup> K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-529(a)(l).

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on 11/15/17, I caused a complete and accurate copy of this Order to be served via United States mail, with the postage prepaid and properly addressed to the following:

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/s/ Paula J. Murray  
Paula J. Murray  
Legal Assistant  
Kansas Corporation Commission