

**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. 17-CONS-3423-CSHO
issued to Wanita M. Brooks (“Operator”))
regarding responsibility under K.S.A. 55-179) CONSERVATION DIVISION
for unplugged wells on an expired license.)
_____) License No: 31747

ORDER CONTINUING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission). Having examined its files and records, and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

1. On March 7, 2017, the Commission designated a Prehearing Officer to address any scheduling or procedural matters pursuant to K.S.A. 77-517(b) and scheduled a Prehearing Conference for April 6, 2017.¹

2. On April 3, 2017, the Prehearing Officer received a letter from Wanita Brooks (Operator) requesting a postponement of the scheduled Prehearing Conference in order to secure more time to retain her attorney and have him review the matter.

3. On April 6, 2017, the Prehearing Conference was held. As anticipated, Operator did not appear. Regarding Operator’s non-appearance, the Prehearing Officer indicated to Staff at the Prehearing Conference that he wished to take the matter under advisement for Commission consideration.

¹ Docket No. 17-CONS-3423-CSHO, *Order to Show Cause, Designating a Prehearing Officer, and Setting a Prehearing Conference*, Ordering Clauses A and B (Mar. 7, 2017).

4. Based on Operator's attempt to postpone the Prehearing Conference until a later date, the Commission finds the Prehearing Conference in this matter shall be continued to May 4, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. The Prehearing Conference shall be continued until **Thursday, May 4, 2017, at 9:00 a.m.** by telephone. The conference call information is: telephone number: (866) 620-7326, Conference Code PIN: 7632914771#.

B. At the Prehearing Conference, parties shall be prepared to discuss deadlines for filing testimony and briefs, discovery procedures, and scheduling of a hearing with the Commission.

C. At the Prehearing Conference, without further notice, this proceeding may be converted into a conference hearing or a summary proceeding for disposition of this matter as provided by the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act (KAPA).² 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.³

D. A corporation shall appear before the Commission by a Kansas licensed attorney.⁴

E. Parties have 15 days, plus three days if mailed service, from the date this Order was served in which to petition the Commission for reconsideration.⁵

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

² K.S.A. 77-501 *et seq.*

³ K.S.A. 77-516(c)(8); K.S.A. 77-520.


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

⁵ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Apple, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Emler, Commissioner

Dated: APR 18 2017



Amy L. Green
Secretary to the Commission

Mailed Date: April 18, 2017

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on 4/18/17, I caused a complete and accurate copy of this Motion 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