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CONSERVATION DIVISION WICHITA, KS

## THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the matter of the application of Langston	)DOCKET NO. 18-CONS-3127-CEXC
Oil & Gas, LLC, for an Exception to the	
10-year time limitation of KA.R. 82-3-111,	) CONSERVATION DIVISION
regarding TA status for said Applicant's	)
Doll #1 well, located in the NE NE SE	) License No. : 30525
of Sec. 36-18S-11W, Barton County, Kansas	

# K.A.R. 82-3-111 APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO 10 YEAR TIME LIMITATION

COMES NOW Applicant; Langston Oil & Gas, LLC, by and through D.S. Langston, its managing member and attorney on its behalf, and in support of this Application in the above captioned matter states:

- 1. Langston Oil & Gas, LLC, is a Kansas limited liability company in good standing, and duly authorized oil and gas operator located at 310 W. Central, Ste.#202, Wichita, KS 67202.
- 2. Applicant maintains a current and valid Kansas Operator's License; #30525, last issued April 28, 2017, by the Kansas Corporation Commission.
- 3. Applicant is the owner and operator of the **Doll #1** well, API No. 15-009-07268-00-00; located in the NE NE SE of Sec. 36-18S-11W, Barton County, Kansas. The subject well-bore is currently inactive but **located within an active oil and gas lease** comprised of the SE/4 of said Sec. 36-18S-11W, Barton County, Kansas. This previously produced and then eventually abandoned/ stripped out leasehold was brought back into production by Applicant after taking a new oil & gas leases in January of 2005, with our first well re-entry and work-over operations on this leasehold beginning on or about 5/15/2005, with last production from this subject Doll #1wellbore being approximately 8/13/2007. The leasehold itself remains in active production.

- 4. Pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-111, Applicant secured approval for temporary abandonment status as to this subject well through a series of previous applications filed with and approved by the State Corporation Commission. The subject well has maintained such status up until the recent denial dated 8/08/2017.
- 5. On 8/08/2017, the KCC issued and mailed a letter notifying Applicant that temporary abandonment status for the subject well was being denied because of the 10 year temporary abandonment regulation, and that any application for an exception to the 10 year limitation would be due by Sept. 5, 2017.
- 6. Applicant acknowledges that the 10 year time limitation on this subject well-bore, pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-100, is expiring on or about 09/05/2017, however Applicant seeks the Kansas Corporation Commission's permission to extend this expiring extension for an additional three years, in respect to this **Doll #1 well-bore**. Applicant cites the information provided within the following paragraph (9.) as his basis for this requested supplemental extension.
- 7. The subject temporarily abandoned well; has just successfully passed an echo meter fluid shot indicating fluid roughly 1000' down, which readings were forwarded to KCC 8/18/2017 via KOLAR.
- 8. The **Doll #1** would serve as an excellent candidate for conversion to a disposal well, based upon its adequate respective surface string length. It is also noteworthy that both the Arbuckle and the various Lansing- KC zones; F, G, I, J, K, & L, have variously proven productive in other wells within this old Mary Ida field and may still represent some potential here as well.
- 9. Applicant wishes to secure a 3 year extension of the 10 year time limitation

in respect to the **Doll #1 well-bore**, in part also because we have previously successfully drilled three new oil wells; the Doll #30 (API # 15-009-25613-00-00) in the SE NW SE of Sec. 36-18S-11W; the Novotny #31-L (API # 15-159-22689-00-00) in the W/2 SW SW NE of Sec. 31-18S-10W, and the Reif #31-2 (API # 15-159-22754-00-00) in the SE SW NE SW of Sec. 31-18S-10W. All of which new producers, generate associated salt water production, and the Reif #B-5 SWD (API # 15-159-06552-00-01) is currently our sole disposal well for all these producers. So far this single salt water disposal well-bore has been sufficient to handle all our water production, however more water volumes may result with any further reworks or any future drilling projects. The Doll #1 well-bore would be ideal candidates to serve as such 2<sup>nd</sup> disposal well, thus the economic and logical basis for this request of a limited additional extension of time to preserve their respective temporary abandonment status. The Applicant is confident that it is a sound candidate for disposal conversion with more than 300' of surface pipe set in each.

If added disposal is necessary as the result, then such conversion can be accomplished for about \$60,000, versus having to drill and equip a new disposal well-bore for at least \$200,000+, which is not even remotely feasible under the current pricing environment of Kansas crude.

Applicant has no precise estimate as to remaining reserves in the Mary Ida Field, but it is noteworthy that both the Arbuckle and the various Lansing- KC zones: F, G, I, J, K, & L, have variously proven productive in the other field wells, however both our new Doll #30 and Novotny #31-L encountered no Arbuckle and instead found barren Quartzite and both slowly declined to current production levels of less than 4 bbls

oil./day each out of the various KC zones. Our newest well; the Reif #31-2, did find Arbuckle present on the South flank of the field, and as of this Application (over three years of production), appears to be holding just around 5 bbls/day oil & 40 bbls/day water out of the Arbuckle. The combined 3 producing leases; Reif A&B, Doll, and Novotny/Reif Oil Unit now only represent approximately 10 bbls. oil/day and 260 bbls. water/day. The Mary Ida Field itself has been in production since 1951, and has been water flooded in several Lansing-KC zones.

**10.** Listed below are the names and addresses of the following persons:

A. Each operator of those oil and gas leases covering lands within one-half (1/2) mile radius of the subject well:

Langston Oil & Gas LLC is now operator of the "already held by production" W/2 (less SW/4 SW/4) of Sec. 31-18S-10W, and the nearby "already held by production" 80 acre tract: S/2 NE/4 of Sec. 31-18S-10W, both in Rice County, KS., as well as the subject SE/4 of Sec. 36-18S-11W, Barton Co., KS..

There are also two other operators within ½ mile radius of the Doll #1 well-bore, aside from the applicant itself; to wit:

The NW/4 of Sec. 36-18S-11W, Barton Co., KS. is operated by;

K & N Petroleum, Inc.

1105 Walnut Great Bend, ks 67530 The SW/4 of Sec. 36-18S-11W, Barton Co., KS. is operated by;

#### **RJM Company**

Box 256

Claflin, KS 67525-0256

B. Those person(s) who own mineral interests of record in and under any lands located within one-half (1/2) mile radius of the subject temporarily abandoned well(s) (provided such interests are not covered by any oil & gas lease(s), are as follows:

Unleased mineral owners of, NE/4 Sec. 1-19S-11W, Barton County, KS;

Cross Reach Farms, LP

655 3<sup>rd</sup> Rd.

Ellinwood, KS 67526

Unleased mineral owners of, NW/4 Sec. 6-19S-10W Rice County, KS;

Ethel F. Ringwald

601 N. Fritz Ellinwood, KS 67526

Unleased mineral owners of, NE/4 Sec. 36-18S-11W, Barton County, KS;

Diane Nemnick, Larry Kleeper & Richard Kleeper c/o Diane Nemnick 513 W. 6<sup>th</sup> St. Ellinwood, KS 67526

Unleased mineral owners of SW/4 SW/4 Sec. 31-18S-10W, Rice County, KS;

The Mary Ida Family Trust C/O Mary C. Bruce, Trustee

1355 Holifax Drive Riverside, CA 92506 **11.** Notice of this Application is being published pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-135a (b). In addition, notice of any 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 additional 3 year exception to the currently expiring 10 year time limitation on temporary abandonment status under K.A.R. 82-3-111, for this well-bore, to allow for future possible rework and/or future conversion to a disposal well to handle associated water production naturally arising from any current or future rework or development drilling upon same or adjacent leaseholds held in production by Applicant.

### Respectfully submitted by Applicant

LANGSTON OIL & GAS, LLC

KCC Lic. #30525

by

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#### VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS	)	
	)	SS
COUNTY OF SEDGWICK	)	

D.S. Langston, of lawful age, being first duly sworn, upon oath states:That he is a managing member and duly authorized attorney for LANGSTON OIL &

GAS, LLC, that he has read the above and foregoing Application, knows and understands the contents thereof, and states that the statements and allegations therein contained are true and correct according to his knowledge, information, and belief.

> D.S. Langston, Managing Member and Attorney For Langston Oil & Gas, LLC 310 W. Central, Ste. #202

Wichita, KS 67202

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

th day of August, 2017.

NOTARY PUBLIC - State of Kansas

**Notary Public** 

My appointment expires:

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

An original and Seven (7) copies of the above and foregoing Applicant's request for an additional exception of at least one (1) more year to the currently expiring 3yr. extension of the 10 year time limitation under K.A.R. 82-3-111, and Notice of Application, were hand delivered by Applicant this 25th day of August, 2017, to the Kansas Corporation Commission's Conservation Division, and true and correct copies were also served by depositing copies of same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to the interested Parties as set forth in paragraph (10.) above.

LANGSTON OIL & GAS LLC

D.S. Langston, Managing Member and Attorney 310 W. Central, Ste. #202

Wichita, KS 67202

## BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

# NOTICE OF FILING APPLICATION

**RE:** Langston Oil & Gas, LLC; Application for an additional 3yr. extension of the currently expiring 10 year time limitation under K.A.R. 82-3-111 for the Doll #1 wellbore, located in Barton County, Kansas.

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

You and each of you are hereby notified that Langston Oil & Gas, LLC, has made application for a 3yr. extension to the currently expiring 10 year time limitation on temporary abandonment status, under K.A.R. 82-3-111, for the Doll #1 well-bore, located in the SE/4 of Sec. 36-18S-11W, Barton County, Kansas.

Any persons who object to or protest this application shall be required to file their objections with the Kansas Corporation Commission of the State of KS within 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 KS.

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

LANGSTON OIL & GAS, LLC

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