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THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:	Jay Scott Emler, Chairman
	Shari Feist Albrecht
	Pat Apple

In the matter of the application of Pintail Petroleum Ltd.) for an exception to the 10-year time limitation of K.A.R.) 82-3-111 for its Kleeman 2A well located in C S2 SW/4) of Section 36, Township 22 South, Range 36 West,) Kearny County, Kansas.) Docket No. 16-CONS-4048-CEXC

CONSERVATION DIVISION

License No. 5086

MOTION FOR THE COMMISSION TO SCHEDULE PROCEEDINGS

The Staff of the Kansas Corporation Commission moves the Commission for an Order setting this matter for hearing, including the designation of a prehearing officer and the setting of a date for a prehearing conference, for the following reasons:

1. Temporary abandonment ("TA") status is not available for the captioned well,

because the well has been inactive for longer than 10 years.

2. On May 24, 2016, Operator filed an application for an exception to the 10-year

limit on TA status for the subject well. The application indicates a Staff-witnessed casing integrity test was performed on January 12, 2014, but Operator has not performed a more recent casing integrity test. Verifications of publication of notice in the Wichita Eagle and official county newspaper have been filed, and no protests have been received.

3. Paragraph 8 of the application states the well is intended for future use as a saltwater disposal well, but Staff understands that the subject well was already converted to a saltwater disposal well and issued permit D-33,012 in 2014. Paragraph 9 of the application indicates the well has already been reworked and that Operator intends to acidize the well. Staff requests additional information regarding what steps have been taken and will be taken to make the well viable for saltwater disposal if it is not already.

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4. Staff requests the Commission designate a prehearing officer and schedule a prehearing conference, where an evidentiary hearing date can be determined if needed.

5. If Operator demonstrates that the well casing has integrity and provides the requested information, Staff will consider recommending that this application be granted without the need for an evidentiary hearing. If these steps are not taken and proceedings are required, Staff may recommend denial of the application and request an order to plug the well.

WHEREFORE, Staff moves the Commission to designate a prehearing officer, set this matter for prehearing conference, and then set the matter for an evidentiary hearing if needed.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on <u>July 5, 2016</u>, 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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