# THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:	Pat Apple, Chair Shari Feist Albr Jay Scott Emler		
In the matter the failure of ("Operator") to comply with K. at the Fussman #19 in Allen Cour	.A.R. 82-3-407	)	Docket No. 17-CONS-3394-CSHO
		) )	CONSERVATION DIVISION
		) )	License No. 34525

### MOTION TO APPROVE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Commission Staff moves for the Commission to adopt and approve the attached Settlement Agreement, which has been signed by both parties. Staff notes that approval of the Agreement will eliminate the need for the currently-scheduled April 6, 2017, prehearing conference. Staff believes the Agreement represents an appropriate manner of resolving the issues described therein.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This Agreement is between Tontol, LLC ("Operator") (License #34525) and Commission Staff ("Staff"). If the Commission does not approve this Agreement by a signed Order, then this Agreement shall not be binding on either party. This Agreement shall settle the proceedings in Commission Docket Number 17-CONS-3394-CPEN.

#### A. Background

- 1. On December 8, 2016, the Commission issued a Penalty Order assessing a \$1,000 penalty, finding one violation of K.A.R. 82-3-407, and directing Operator to either plug the Fussman #19 well, or to conduct a successful mechanical integrity test on it.
- 2. Operator timely appealed and subsequently conducted a successful mechanical integrity test. Operator admits to the violation, but requests additional time to make payments on the penalty. Staff finds the request to be acceptable.

#### B. Terms of Settlement

- 3. Of the \$1,000 owed, Operator shall pay \$500 by February 28, 2017, and the remaining \$500 by March 31, 2017. If Operator fails to comply with either deadline, then Staff shall suspend Operator's license until compliance is obtained. If Staff suspends Operator's license, then Staff shall send its standard notice of license suspension letter to Operator. If Staff finds Operator conducting oil and gas operations after 10 days from the date of the notice of license suspension letter, and Operator's license is still suspended, then Staff is authorized to seal all of Operator's oil and gas operations and to assess an additional \$5,000.
- 4. Operator agrees to waive its right to appeal the Commission's Order approving this Agreement, any penalties assessed under this Agreement, and any suspension of Operator's license implemented by Staff due to Operator's failure to comply with this Agreement.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on, I cause of this Motion to be served via United States mail, with the postage addressed to the following:	ed a complete and accurate copy ge prepaid and properly
Donald Bisbee Tontol, LLC 7807 E. Buena Terra Way Scottsdale, Arizona 85250	
And delivered by email to:	
Michael Duenes KCC Prehearing Officer	

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