## THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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Before Commissioners:

Pat Apple, Chairman Shari Feist Albrecht Jay Scott Emler

In the matter of the application of Berexco LLC for an exception to the 10-year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for its Albert #3 well located in the SW NE SW of Sec 10, T11S, R19W Ellis County, Kansas. Docket No. 18-CONS- -CEXC 3329

CONSERVATION DIVISION

License No.: 34318

#### **APPLICATION**

COMES NOW Berexco LLC ("Operator") for its application in the captioned matter states as follows:

1. Operator is a limited liability company authorized to do business in the State of Kansas. Operator's address is 2020 North Bramblewood, Wichita, Kansas 67206.

2. Operator has been issued by the Kansas Corporation Commission Operator's License #34318, which expires on October 30, 2018.

3. Operator is the operator of the Albert #3 well, API #15-051-00877-0001 which is located in the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 10, Township 11 South, Range 19 West, Ellis County, Kansas. The subject well is located on an active oil and gas unit comprising the following lands:

All of the Southwest Quarter of Section 10, Township 11 South, Range 19 West, Ellis County, Kansas.

4. Pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-111, Operator obtained temporary abandonment status for the Albert #3 effective March 20, 2001. The subject well has maintained such status from March 2001 to the present date.

5. K.A.R. 82-3-111 imposes a 10-year limitation on the amount of time during which wells may be temporarily abandoned, but an exception to the 10-year limitation may be obtained pursuant to said regulations through an application filed with the Commission pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-100.

6. Operator filed for and was granted an initial 10-year limitation exception by the Kansas Corporation Commission. Such exception will expire on or about February 19, 2018. Operator seeks a third exception.

7. The subject well demonstrated mechanical integrity as evidenced by passage of Commission Staff-witnessed mechanical integrity test on or about November 13, 2017.

8. Operator is keeping the subject well for potential reinjection of water into the Toronto and Lansing Kansas City zones on the Albert lease. The subject well is currently docketed for injection into these zones: E-25,179. In addition, after injection possibilities are exhausted, recompleting the subject well as a producer in the Arbuckle zone will be studied. The subject well should not be plugged to prevent economic waste associated with re-drilling for future needs as an injection well and possible producing well. The estimated cost to plug this well is \$20,000. The cost to restore the well to injection capability is estimated to be \$60,000. Production from the Albert lease is around 6 BOPD with potential reserves in excess of 9,000 barrels of oil.

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9. Operator has included a plat map showing the locations of all producing, injection, saltwater disposal, temporarily abandoned, and plugged wells located on the same leased premises as the subject well. There are two active producing wells and one temporarily abandoned injection well (the subject well) on the lease.

10. Based on the foregoing, Operator requests the Commission grant an exception to the 10-year limitation, specifically to allow the subject well to remain eligible for temporary abandonment status for the three (3) years following the expiration of the 10-year limitation. Operator understands that the exception would be valid for three (3) years, but Operator would still need to apply annually to the Conservation Division District Office for approval of an application for temporary abandonment status.

11. Listed in the attached Exhibit "A" are the names and addresses of the following persons:

- A. Each operator of each oil and gas lease covering lands within one-half (1/2) mile radius of the subject well; and
- B. Each person who owns any mineral interest of record in and under any lands
  located within one-half (1/2) mile radius of the subject well (provided that such
  mineral interest is not covered by any oil and gas lease).

12. Notice of this application has been published pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-135a. In addition, notice of the hearing to be held in this matter will be provided as prescribed by K.A.R. 82-3-135.

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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 exception to the K.A.R. 82-3-111 ten (10) year limitation, to allow the subject well to remain temporarily abandoned for three (3) years, subject to annual approval by the Conservation Division District Office of an application for temporary abandonment status.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jonathan D. Hayward 2020 N. Bramblewood Wichita, KS 67206 316-265-3311 Fax #316-681-4766

Signature of Submitter By:

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify on this <u>27</u><sup>th</sup> day of <u>January</u>, 2018, true and correct copies of the attached Notice of Filing Application were served by depositing copies of the same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each of the unleased mineral owner(s) and operator(s) set forth in Exhibit "A" attached to said Application filed by Operator, and the above and foregoing original Application and seven (7) copies were mailed to the Kansas Corporation Commission.

Jon Haywood Name of Signed

## EXHIBIT A

## Albert #3 notice area

# Surface owner – SW/4 NE/4 SW/4 Sec. 10-11S-19W (Albert #3 wellsite)

Roma K. Sessin Living Trust 1018 SW Kent Place Topeka, KS 66604

# <u>Operator – SE/4 Sec. 9; S/2 Sec. 10; N/2 Sec. 15; NE/4 Sec. 16-11S-19W</u>

Berexco LLC 2020 N. Bramblewood Wichita, KS 67206

#### <u>Operator – S/2 NE/4 Sec. 9-11S-19W</u>

Deutsch Oil Company 8100 E. 22<sup>nd</sup> St. North, Building 600 Wichita, KS 67226

#### Operator - NW/4 Sec. 10-11S-19W

Bowman Oil Company 805 Codell Road Codell, KS 67663

## Unleased mineral owner - NE/4 Sec. 10-11S-19W

Armbrister Farms, LLC 970 Dd Road Zurich, KS 67676

# **BEREXCO LLC**

## BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS NOTICE OF FILING APPLICATION

RE: BEREXCO LLC. - - Application for an exception to the 10 year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for the Albert #3 WIW, located in Ellis County, Kansas.

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

You, and each of you, are hereby notified that Berexco LLC has filed an application for an exception to the 10 year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for the Albert #3 WIW located in the SW NE SW of Section 10-11S-19W, Ellis County, Kansas.

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

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

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