KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION OIL & GAS CONSERVATION DIVISION

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TEMPORARY ABANDONMENT WELL APPLICATION

OPERATOR: License#				API No. 15-	API No. 15					
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Contact Person Email:										
Field Contact Person:						Oil 🗌 Gas 🗌 OG 🗌				
Field Contact Person Phone	()				SWD Permit #: ENHR Permit #:					
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Submitted Electronically

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Review Completed by:		Comments:			
TA Approved: 🗌 Yes 🗌 De	enied Date:				

Mail to the Appropriate KCC Conservation Office:

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	KCC District Office #2 - 3450 N. Rock Road, Building 600, Suite 601, Wichita, KS 67226	Phone 316.337.7400
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THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:

Susan K. Duffy, Chair Dwight D. Keen Andrew J. French

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In the matter of the application of Merit Energy Company, LLC, for an exception to the 10-year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for its Victory Morrow Lime Unit 203 well in the West Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 30 South, Range 33 West, Haskell County, Kansas. Docket No. 20-CONS-3331-CEXC

CONSERVATION DIVISION

License No. 32446

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission). Having examined its files and records, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following findings:

I. JURISDICTION

1. The Commission has the exclusive jurisdiction and authority to regulate oil and gas activities in Kansas.¹

2. A well shall not be eligible for temporary abandonment (TA) status if the well has been shut in for 10 years or more without an application for an exception pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-100 and approval by the Commission.² An exception may be granted by the Commission, after considering whether the exception will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and prevent pollution. Each party requesting an exception shall file an application with the conservation division.³

- ¹ K.S.A. 74-623.
- ² K.A.R. 82-3-111(b).
- ³ K.A.R. 82-3-100(b).

II. FINDINGS OF FACT

3. Merit Energy Company, LLC (Operator) conducts oil and gas activities in Kansas under active license number 32446.

4. On June 5, 2020, Operator filed an application requesting an exception to the 10year limit on TA status for the Victory Morrow Lime Unit #203 well (Subject Well), API #15-081-21015.

5. Operator has verified that notice was properly served and published at least 15 days before the issuance of this Order, as required under K.A.R. 82-3-135a.

6. No protest was filed under K.A.R. 82-3-135b.

7. On August 7, 2020, Operator successfully tested the Subject Well for mechanical integrity, indicating there is not a present threat to fresh and usable water.⁴

8. The Commission finds the reasons articulated in the application and the results of the mechanical integrity test sufficient to support the administrative grant of the application.

III. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

9. The Commission concludes that it has jurisdiction over Operator and this matter.

10. The Commission concludes that Operator's application was filed in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Commission and in accordance with Kansas statutes.

11. The Commission concludes that notice was properly served and published.

12. Based on the above facts, the Commission concludes that the application should be granted to prevent waste and protect correlative rights, because Operator has demonstrated a potential future use for the Subject Well, and there is not a present threat to fresh and usable water.

⁴ To reach this finding, the Commission takes administrative notice of its records. See 82-1-230(h).

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. Operator's application for an exception to the 10-year limit on TA status for the Subject Well is granted for three years, calculated from the date the application was filed.

B. Operator must file an annual TA form for the Subject Well. The first TA form shall be filed within 30 days.

C. Any party may file and serve a petition for reconsideration pursuant to the requirements and time limits established by K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).⁵

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Duffy, Chair; Keen, Commissioner; French, Commissioner

Date: 08/20/2020

Lynn M. Ref

Date Mailed: _____08/20/2020

Lynn M. Retz Executive Director

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⁵ K.S.A. 55-162; K.S.A. 55-606; K.S.A. 55-707; K.S.A. 77-503(c); K.S.A. 77-531(b).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

20-CONS-3331-CEXC

I, the undersigned, certify that a true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following by means of

first class mail and electronic service on 08/20/2020

SCOTT ALBERG, DISTRICT #1 SUPERVISOR KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION DISTRICT OFFICE NO. 1 210 E. FRONTVIEW SUITE A DODGE CITY, KS 67801 Fax: 785-271-3354 s.alberg@kcc.ks.gov

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Andrew J. French, Chairperson Dwight D. Keen, Commissioner Susan K. Duffy, Commissioner Laura Kelly, Governor

August 05, 2021

Katherine MCClurkan Merit Energy Company, LLC 13727 Noel Road, Suite 1200 DALLAS, TX 75240

Re: Temporary Abandonment API 15-081-21015-00-02 Victory Morrow Lime Unit 203 NW/4 Sec.28-30S-33W Haskell County, Kansas

Dear Katherine MCClurkan:

Your temporary abandonment (TA) application for the well listed above has been approved. In accordance with K.A.R. 82-3-111 the TA status of this well will expire 08/20/2022.

Your exception application expires on 08/20/2023.

* If you return this well to service or plug it, please notify the District Office.

* If you sell this well you are required to file a Transfer of Operator form, T-1.

* If the well will remain temporarily abandoned, you must submit a new TA application, CP-111, before 08/20/2022.

You may contact me at the number above if you have questions.

Very truly yours,

Michael Maier