

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL  
HEARINGS SECTION**

**Oil & Gas Docket Nos. 01-0236259, 01-0236260 and 01-0236261**

**CONSOLIDATED APPLICATIONS OF SEACO PRODUCTION FOR EXCEPTIONS TO STATEWIDE RULE 21 TO PRODUCE BY SWABBING, BAILING, OR JETTING, WELL NOS. 2 AND 3A, STREY, ELTON F. LEASE, WELL NO. 1A, COVER LEASE, AND WELL NOS. 1, 2, 3 AND 4, DOEGE, ERNEST LEASE, LA VERNIA FIELD, GUADALUPE COUNTY, TEXAS.**

**FINAL ORDER**

The Commission finds that, after statutory notice in the above-numbered docket, heard on May 4, 2005, the examiners have made and filed a report and proposal for decision containing findings of fact and conclusions of law, which was served on all parties of record, and that this proceeding was duly submitted to the Railroad Commission of Texas at conference held in its offices in Austin, Texas.

The Commission, after review and due consideration of the proposal for decision and the findings of fact and conclusions of law contained therein, and any exceptions and replies thereto, hereby adopts as its own the findings of fact and conclusions of law contained therein, and incorporates said findings of fact and conclusions of law as if fully set out and separately stated herein.

Therefore, it is **ORDERED** by the Railroad Commission of Texas that the applications of Seaco Production, to consider an exception to Statewide Rule 21 to allow production by jetting of the seven captioned wells on the three captioned leases in the La Vernia Field, Guadalupe County, Texas be and is hereby **APPROVED** subject to the following conditions:

**CONDITIONS**

1. Wellhead Control. All wells must remain equipped with wellhead control consistent with the requirements of Statewide Rule 13.
2. Production Reporting. All hydrocarbons produced must be reported consistent with the requirements of Statewide Rule 58.
3. Intention to Plug. The operator must file a Form w-3A (Notice of Intention to Plug and Abandon with the District Office at least five (5) days prior to beginning plugging operations. If, however, a drilling rig is already at work on location and ready to begin

plugging operations, the district director or the director's delegate may waive this

requirement upon request, and verbally approve the proposed plugging procedures.

4. Notification of plugging. The operator **MUST** call to notify the appropriate district office a minimum of four (4) hours prior to beginning plugging operations. The individual giving notification **MUST** be able to advise the district office of the docket number and all water protection depths for that location as stated in the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality letter.
5. Plugged Wells. Should any wells on this lease ever be plugged and abandoned, the Commission will consider such plugging and abandonment as prima facie evidence that production from said well is no longer necessary to prevent confiscation of applicant's property or to prevent waste; and upon such plugging and abandonment, the authority for such well as granted under this permit shall cease.
6. Permit Expiration. This permit shall not expire so long as Seaco Production remains the operator of the applied-for wells on the three applied-for leases. This permit is not transferable.

Each exception to the examiners' proposal for decision not expressly granted herein is overruled. All requested findings of fact and conclusions of law which are not expressly adopted herein are denied. All pending motions and requests for relief not previously granted or granted herein are denied.

It is further **ORDERED** by the Commission that this order shall not be final and effective until 20 days after a party is notified of the Commission's order. A party is presumed to have been notified of the Commission's order three days after the date on which the notice is actually mailed. If a timely motion for rehearing is filed by any party at interest, this order shall not become final and effective until such motion is overruled, or if such motion is granted, this order shall be subject to

further action by the Commission. Pursuant to TEX. GOV'T CODE §2001.146(e), the time allotted for Commission action on a motion for rehearing in this case prior to its being overruled by

operation of law, is hereby extended until 90 days from the date the parties are notified of the order.

Done this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2005.

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

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**CHAIRMAN VICTOR G. CARRILLO**

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**COMMISSIONER MICHAEL L. WILLIAMS**

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**COMMISSIONER ELIZABETH A. JONES**

**ATTEST:**

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**SECRETARY**