

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL  
OIL AND GAS SECTION**

**OIL AND GAS DOCKET  
NO. 06-0226235**

**IN THE HUXLEY (6100) FIELD,  
SHELBY COUNTY, TEXAS**

**FINAL ORDER  
ADOPTING HORIZONTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS  
FOR THE HUXLEY (6100) FIELD  
SHELBY COUNTY, TEXAS**

The Commission finds that after statutory notice in the above-numbered docket heard on October 13, 2000, the presiding examiner has made and filed a report and recommendation containing findings of fact and conclusions of law, for which service was not required; that the proposed application is in compliance with all statutory requirements; 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 examiner's report and recommendation, the findings of fact and conclusions of law contained therein, 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 following horizontal drainhole well rules shall be adopted for the Huxley (6100) Field, Shelby County, Texas.

**RULE NO. 1:** No well for oil or gas shall hereafter be drilled nearer than one thousand two hundred (1,200) feet to any other well, completed or drilling in the same field on the same lease, pooled unit, or unitized tract; provided, however, that no between well spacing restriction shall apply (1) between a horizontal drainhole well and any previously existing vertical well, or (2) between the drainholes of two horizontal drainhole wells within the first one hundred (100) feet or the last one hundred (100) feet of either horizontal drainhole well. No vertical well shall be drilled nearer than four hundred and sixty seven (467) feet to any property line, lease line, or subdivision line.

**RULE NO. 2:** The minimum well spacing for horizontal drainhole wells with a horizontal displacement of greater than eight hundred (800) feet shall be governed by the following provisions:

- a. No horizontal drainhole well shall hereafter be drilled such that the penetration point or terminus of a horizontal drainhole within the correlative interval is nearer that one hundred (100) feet to any property line, lease line, or subdivision line.
- b. For each horizontal drainhole the distance measured perpendicular to a horizontal drainhole from any point on such horizontal drainhole to any point on any property line, lease line or subdivision line shall be a minimum of four hundred and sixty

seven (467) feet.

- c. A horizontal drainhole well may be developed with multiple drainholes and these drainholes shall not be subject to minimum between well spacing with respect to each other nor subject to drainhole length overlap restrictions.

The aforementioned distances are minimum distances to allow an operator flexibility in locating a well for the purposes of permitting only one well to each drilling unit. Provided however, that the Commission will grant exceptions to permit drilling within shorter distances and drilling more wells than herein prescribed whenever the Commission shall have determined that such exceptions are necessary either to prevent waste or to prevent the confiscation of property. When exceptions to these rules is desired, application shall be filed and will be acted upon in accordance with the provision of the Commission's Statewide Rule 37 and 38, which applicable provisions of said Rules are incorporated herein by reference.

It is further ordered that the administrative suspension of the allocation formula continue in effect as adoption of these rules have no apparent effect.

Effective this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2000.

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

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**ATTEST:**

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**Secretary**