

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

**OIL AND GAS DOCKET  
NO. 8A-0268006**

**IN THE RUSSELL, NORTH  
(DEVONIAN) FIELD, GAINES  
COUNTY, TEXAS**

**FINAL ORDER  
AMENDING FIELD RULE NO. 3 FOR THE  
RUSSELL, NORTH (DEVONIAN) FIELD  
GAINES COUNTY, TEXAS**

The Commission finds that after statutory notice in the above-numbered docket heard on December 2, 2010, 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 Field Rule No. 3 adopted in Final Order No. 8-22,139, effective October 29, 1951, as amended, for the Russell, North (Devonian) Field, Gaines County, Texas, be and is amended as hereafter set out:

**RULE 3:** The acreage assigned to the individual oil well for the purpose of allocating allowable production thereto shall be known as a proration unit. The standard drilling and proration units are established hereby to be FORTY (40) acres. No proration unit shall consist of more than FORTY (40) acres; provided that after the drilling of the last well on any lease and the assignment of acreage to each well thereon in accordance with the regulations of the Commission there remains an additional unassigned acreage of less than FORTY (40) acres, then and in such event the remaining unassigned acreage up to and including a total of TWENTY (20) acres may be assigned as tolerance acreage to the last well drilled on such lease or may be distributed among any group of wells located thereon, so long as the proration units resulting from the inclusion of such additional acreage meet the limitations prescribed by the Commission. The two farthestmost points in any proration unit shall not be in excess of TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED (2,100) feet removed from each other. Each proration unit containing less than FORTY (40) acres shall be a fractional proration unit. All proration units shall consist of continuous and contiguous acreage which can reasonably be considered to be productive. No double assignment of acreage will be accepted.

An operator, at his option, shall be permitted to form optional drilling units of TWENTY (20) acres. A proportional acreage allowable credit will be given for a well on a fractional proration unit. The two farthestmost points of a TWENTY (20) acre fractional proration unit shall not be greater than TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED (2,100) feet removed from each other.

For the determination of acreage credit in this field, operators shall file for each oil or gas well in this field a Form P-15 Statement of Productivity of Acreage Assigned to Proration Units. On that form or an attachment thereto, the operator shall list the number of acres that are being assigned to each well on the lease or unit for proration purposes. For oil or gas wells, operators shall be required to file, along with the Form P-15, a plat of the lease, unit or property; provided that such plat shall not be required to show individual proration units.

Done this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2011.

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

**(Order approved and signatures affixed by  
OGC Unprotected Master Order dated  
February 22, 2011)**