

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

**OIL AND GAS DOCKET  
NO. 06-0255790**

**IN THE HARDWOOD (COTTON  
VALLEY) FIELD, HARRISON  
COUNTY, TEXAS**

**FINAL ORDER  
AMENDING FIELD RULE 2 FOR THE  
HARDWOOD (COTTON VALLEY) FIELD  
HARRISON COUNTY, TEXAS**

The Commission finds that after statutory notice in the above-numbered docket heard on March 31, 2008, 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 2 for the Hardwood (Cotton Valley) Field, adopted in Final Order No. 06-0254690, effective February 12, 2008, is hereby amended. The amended field rule is set out below:

**RULE 2:** No well for gas shall hereafter be drilled nearer than FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN (467) feet to any property line, lease line, or subdivision line and no well shall be drilled nearer than SIX HUNDRED (600) feet to any applied for, permitted or completed well in the same reservoir on the same lease, pooled unit or unitized tract. The aforementioned distances in the above rule are minimum distances to allow an operator flexibility in locating a well, and the above spacing rule and the other rules to follow are for the purpose of permitting only one well to each drilling and proration unit in either field. 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 exception to these rules is desired, application therefor shall be filed and will be acted upon in accordance with the provisions of Commission Statewide Rules 37 and 38, which applicable provisions of said rules are incorporated herein by reference.

In applying this rule, the general order of the Commission with relation to the subdivision of property shall be observed. Notwithstanding the above, there shall be no minimum requirement for between well spacing between horizontal and vertical wells.

It is further ordered that the allocation formula for the field shall remain suspended. The allocation formula may be reinstated administratively, in accordance with the Commission's rules, if the market demand for gas in the Hardwood (Cotton Valley) Field drops below 100% of deliverability.

Done this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008.

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

**(Order approved and signatures affixed by  
OGC Unprotected Master Order dated April  
24, 2008)**