

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
HEARINGS DIVISION**

OIL & GAS DOCKET NO. 20-0302240

IN RE: P-5 ORGANIZATION REPORT OF DOLPHIN PETROLEUM, LP

FINAL ORDER

The Commission finds that after notice and an opportunity for hearing regarding the captioned matter, the Operator failed to request a hearing and pay the hearing fee as required by 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.15(g)(4) and TEX. NAT. RES. CODE §89.022(f). This matter having been duly submitted to the Railroad Commission of Texas at conference held in its offices in Austin, Texas, the Commission makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Dolphin Petroleum, LP [Operator #222226] (the “Operator”), is the record operator or one or more inactive wells in the State of Texas and is required to file Organization Report (Form P-5) with the Commission. Operator’s most recent P-5 was due on or before June 1, 2016.
2. After filing its most recent Organization Report (Form P-5) with the Commission, the Operator was notified they were deficient and had failed to comply with the requirements of 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 3.15 (Surface Equipment Removal Requirements and Inactive Wells) and provided with a written statement of the reasons for the determination and allowed ninety (90) days from the date its P-5 was due to comply with the requirements of 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 3.15 and TEX. NAT. RES. CODE §§89.021 - 89.030.
3. After the expiration of ninety (90) days and pursuant to 16 TEX. ADMIN CODE §3.15(g)(4), an authorized Commission employee determined that the Operator’s Organization Report still could not be renewed because the Operator continued to fail to comply with the requirements of 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.15 (Surface Equipment Removal Requirements and Inactive Wells).
4. The Commission sent the Operator a letter by certified mail giving notice to the Operator of the determination of continued non-compliance regarding specified inactive wells, attached as Exhibit A to this order, and advising the Operator of the right to request a hearing to show compliance. The letter notified the Operator that the hearing request must be received in docket services no later than 30 days after the date of the letter. The letter also notified the Operator that a final order denying renewal of the Operator’s Organization Report (Form P-5) would result in the cancellation of all P-4 Certificates of Compliance and the severance of all pipeline or other carrier connections.

5. All notices and letters from the Commission to the Operator on this matter were addressed and mailed to the Operator's most recently reported address on the Form P-5 Organization Report.
6. The Operator did not timely request a hearing and pay the hearing fee on these issues as required under 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.15(g)(4) (Surface Equipment Removal Requirements and Inactive Wells).
7. Statewide Rule 15 (16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.15) is a Commission rule that relates to safety or the prevention or control of pollution.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Operator received proper notice and an opportunity for hearing regarding compliance with 16 Tex. Admin. Code §3.15 and Tex. Nat. Res. Code §§89.021 - 89.030.
2. All things necessary to the Commission attaining jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties in this matter have been performed or have occurred.
3. The Operator is in violation of Commission Statewide Rule 15 and did not timely request a hearing to contest the determination that it was in violation.
4. The Operator's P-5 Organization Report should not be renewed and all of the Operator's P-4 Certificates of Compliance should be cancelled, with all related pipeline or other carrier connections severed. 16 Tex. Admin. Code §3.15 (g)(4) and Tex. Nat. Res. Code §§89.022(f), 91.704 - 91.706.
5. The Operator's P-5 Organization Report cannot be renewed until the operator brings the inactive wells shown on the attached Exhibit A into compliance with the requirements of 16 Tex. Admin. Code §3.15 and Tex. Nat. Res. Code §§89.021 - 89.030.

IT IS ORDERED that renewal of Dolphin Petroleum, LP's P-5 Organization Report is hereby **DENIED**.

It is further ORDERED that all P-4 Certificates of Compliance issued to Dolphin Petroleum, LP as operator of record are hereby **CANCELLED** and all related pipeline or other carrier connections are hereby **SEVERED**.

It is further ORDERED that Dolphin Petroleum, LP shall bring the wells on Exhibit A into compliance with Statewide Rule 15 (16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.15) and that the Operator's P-5 Organization Report shall not be renewed until the wells on Exhibit A have been brought into compliance as required by this order.

It is further ORDERED that Dolphin Petroleum, LP and each person who held a position of ownership or control in the Operator at the time the Operator's most-recent P-5 Organization Report was filed shall be subject to the terms of TEX. NAT. RES. CODE §91.114.

It is further ORDERED by the Commission that this order shall not be final and effective until 25 days after the Commission's Order is signed, unless the time for filing a motion for rehearing has been extended under Tex. Gov't Code §2001.142, by agreement under Tex. Gov't Code §2001.147, or by written Commission Order issued pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code §2001.146(e). 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 Commission Order is signed.

All requested Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law which are not expressly adopted herein are **DENIED**. All pending motions and request for relief not previously granted or granted herein are **DENIED**.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

(Signatures affixed by Rule 15 Inactive Well
Master Order dated November 15, 2016.)

API Number	District	ID Number	Lease Name	Well Number
249 00826 No approved W-3X on file	04	147743	DODD, LEONA ESTATE	2
249 00849 No approved W-3X on file	04	10858	DODD, LEONA	3
249 00850 No approved W-3X on file	04	009751	DODD, LEONA ESTATE	4
249 00851 No approved W-3X on file	04	111547	DODD, LEONA	5
249 80012 No approved W-3X on file	04	009744	DODD, LEONA ESTATE	1
323 00374 No approved W-3X on file	01	000127	CHITTIM, ANNIE E.	R 17
323 80001 No approved W-3X on file	01	030575	WRIGHT, TULETA CHITTIM	5 U
323 80001 No approved W-3X on file	01	030574	WRIGHT, TULETA CHITTIM	5 L
391 01851 No approved W-3X on file	02	05502	OCONNOR, MARY ELLEN	18
391 01870 No approved W-3X on file	02	02708	OCONNOR, MARY ELLEN	17 U
391 03684 No approved W-3X on file	02	05199	EL OSO CATTLE COMPANY	5
391 03981 Electricity must be disconnected (certify on Form W-3C) No approved W-3X on file	02	05612	O'CONNOR, MARY ELLEN	25
391 20348 No approved W-3X on file	02	02708	OCONNOR, MARY ELLEN	22
391 30081 No approved W-3X on file	02	03126	OCONNOR, MARY ELLEN	34 L
391 30081 No approved W-3X on file	02	05612	O'CONNOR, MARY ELLEN	34 U
391 30520 No approved W-3X on file	02	05199	EL OSO CATTLE COMPANY	15
391 30542 No approved W-3X on file	02	05199	EL OSO CATTLE COMPANY	18
391 30558 No approved W-3X on file	02	05199	EL OSO CATTLE COMPANY	21

API Number	District	ID Number	Lease Name	Well Number
391 30560 No approved W-3X on file	02	05253	OCONNOR, MARY ELLEN	41
391 30565 No approved W-3X on file	02	05199	EL OSO CATTLE COMPANY	20
391 30583 No approved W-3X on file	02	05592	O'CONNOR, MARY ELLEN	46
391 30584 No approved W-3X on file	02	05612	O'CONNER, MARY ELLEN	45
391 30585 No approved W-3X on file	02	05905	O'CONNER, MARY ELLEN	44
391 30587 No approved W-3X on file	02	05253	OCONNOR, MARY ELLEN	42
391 31162 No approved W-3X on file	02	05517	EL OSO CATTLE COMPANY	23
391 31217 No approved W-3X on file	02	05560	EL OSO CATTLE CO.	27
391 31221 No approved W-3X on file	02	05415	EL OSO CATTLE COMPANY	26
391 31228 No approved W-3X on file	02	05560	EL OSO CATTLE CO.	30
409 32164 No approved W-3X on file	04	125366	WHATLEY	1
409 32507 Production fluids must be purged (certify on Form W-3C) No approved W-3X on file	04	162303	SCULL	1
409 32554 No approved W-3X on file	04	12784	FLINN HEIRS	1R
427 32513 Electricity must be disconnected (certify on Form W-3C) No approved W-3X on file	04	247349	GUERRA GAS UNIT "A"	4
505 30310 No approved W-3X on file	04	157338	YZAGUIRRE, J.	1
505 33127 No approved W-3X on file	04	151022	YZAGUIRRE, J.	12

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Exhibit A