

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
HEARINGS DIVISION**

**OIL & GAS DOCKET NO. 01-0314273**

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**APPLICATION OF MAVERICK ENERGY GROUP, INC. (534219) TO SUPERSEDE THE FINAL ORDER IN OIL AND GAS DOCKET NO. 01-0301450 ISSUED NOVEMBER 15, 2016 ORDERING JENEX PETROLEUM CORPORATION (431135) TO PLUG THE ALPHA WARE (02421) LEASE, TORCH (KING) FIELD, ZAVALA COUNTY, TEXAS**

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**FINAL ORDER**

The Railroad Commission of Texas ("Commission" or "RRC") finds that after statutory notice the above-captioned proceeding was heard by a Commission Administrative Law Judge and Technical Examiner on November 2, 2018. Having been duly submitted to the Commission at a conference held in its offices in Austin, Texas, the Commission makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law.

**Findings of Fact**

1. Maverick Energy Group, Inc. ("Maverick"), RRC Operator No. 534219, filed an application to supersede provisions in the Final Order ("Prior Order") entered on November 15, 2016, in Oil & Gas Docket No. 01-0301450 requiring Jenex Petroleum Corporation ("Jenex"), RRC Operator No. 431135, to plug the Alpha Ware (02421) Lease, Torch (King) Field, Zavala County, Texas (the "Lease"). With its application, Maverick filed a Form P-4 *Certificate of Compliance and Transportation Authority* ("Form P-4") requesting that it be designated the operator of record for the Lease. The Form P-4 did contain the signature of Jenex, the current Commission operator of record for the Lease.
2. The Prior Order finds Jenex does not have a good faith claim to operate the Lease and orders Jenex to plug the wells on the Lease. Because of the Prior Order, there is an RRC hold preventing Maverick from becoming the Commission record operator.
3. On October 2, 2018, Commission staff sent a Notice of Hearing via first-class mail to Maverick and Jenex setting a hearing date of November 2, 2018. Consequently, all parties received more than 10 days' notice. The Notice of Hearing contains (1) a statement of the time, place, and nature of the hearing; (2) a statement of the legal authority and jurisdiction under which the hearing is to be held; (3) a reference to the particular sections of the statutes and rules involved; and (4) a short and plain statement of the matters asserted.

4. The hearing was convened on November 2, 2018. Maverick appeared. Jenex did not appear.
5. Jenex does not have a good faith claim to operate the Lease.
6. Maverick has demonstrated a good faith claim to operate the Lease.
7. The Lease should be transferred to Maverick as operator of record.

### Conclusions of Law

1. Proper notice of hearing was timely issued to persons entitled to notice. See, e.g., TEX. GOV'T CODE § 2001.051; 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§ 1.42.
2. The Commission has jurisdiction in this case. See, e.g., TEX. NAT. RES. CODE § 81.051.
3. Jenex does not have a good faith claim, as that term is defined in Statewide Rule 15(a)(5), to operate the Lease. 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 3.15(a)(5).
4. Maverick does have a good faith claim to operate the Lease.

### Ordering Provisions

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED** that the provision in the Prior Order requiring Jenex to plug the Well is hereby superseded. All other provisions of the Prior Order shall remain in full force and effect.

**IT IS ORDERED** that the application of Maverick to change the RRC operator of record for the Lease is **APPROVED** and Maverick's submitted Form P-4 *Certificate of Compliance and Transportation Authority* reflecting itself as the current operator for the Lease is hereby **APPROVED** subject to the provisions of TEX. NAT. RES. CODE §§ 91.1041, 91.1042, 91.107, 91.114, 91.142 and TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 3.15, 3.58, and 3.78 and any other Commission rules or statutes. If after 90 days after the order becomes final, Maverick has not met the requirements of the listed provisions, this Final Order shall be **VOID** and the subject Form P-4 shall be marked as *Unable to Process* and archived.

**IT IS ORDERED** that the transfer hold on the Lease due to the Prior Order be canceled to allow transfer of the Lease to Maverick.

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 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 of an application 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) and 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 1.128(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 100 days from the date the Commission Order is signed.

Done this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April 2019, in Austin, Texas.

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

(Order approved and signatures affixed by HD  
Unprotested Master Order dated April 23, 2019)