RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS HEARINGS DIVISION

OIL AND GAS DOCKET NO. 08-0316361

APPLICATION OF ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC (020528) FOR AN EXCEPTION TO STATEWIDE RULE 32 FOR VARIOUS FACILITIES, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) FIELD, LOVING, REEVES AND WARD COUNTY, TEXAS

FINAL ORDER

The Railroad Commission of Texas ("Commission") finds that after notice in the above-docketed case was provided to all parties entitled to notice, a hearing was heard on January 17, 2019 by a Commission Technical Examiner and Administrative Law Judge. This proceeding was duly submitted to the Commission at a conference held in its offices in Austin, Texas. After considering this matter, the Commission adopts the following findings of fact and conclusions of law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC ("Anadarko") seeks 14 exceptions to Statewide Rule 32 for authority to flare a maximum of 25 to 155 Mcfd of casinghead gas and gas well gas from December 30, 2018 to December 30, 2020 from 14 flare points at various facilities, in the Phantom (Wolfcamp) Field, in Loving County, Texas. A list identifying the flare points is attached as Attachment A.
- 2. Anadarko submitted a request for hearing on the Application on November 12, 2018.
- 3. Anadarko was previously granted administrative exceptions to Statewide Rule 32 for the Leases (Flare Permits No. 34462, 34463, 34465, 34466, 34467, 34468, 34469, 34470, 34472, 34473, 34474, 34475, 34476, 34478), all terminating December 29, 2018.
- 4. On December 14, 2018 the Hearings Division of the Commission sent a Notice of Hearing ("Notice") to Applicant and all offsetting operators in the field setting a hearing date of January 17, 2019. Consequently, the parties received more than 10 days' notice. The Notice 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. The hearing was held on January 17, as noticed. Applicant appeared and participated at the hearing. No one appeared in protest.
- 5. The gas from the subject leases is normally delivered and sold to sales lines.
- 6. The flaring authority is requested to flare low-pressure tank vapors and flash gas, resulting in an average of 1.6% of production being flared.
- 7. Low-pressure flash-gas and tank vapors are uneconomical to capture and compress.

- 8. The requested Statewide Rule 32 exception to flare a maximum of 25 to 155 Mcfd of casinghead gas and gas well gas is necessary for Anadarko to produce the recoverable oil from the subject leases.
- At the hearing, Anadarko agreed on the record that the Final Order in this docketed case, is to be final and effective when a Master Order relating to this Final Order is signed

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Resolution of the subject application is a matter committed to the jurisdiction of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Tex. Nat. Res. Code § 81.051.
- 2. All notice requirements have been satisfied. See 16 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 1.42, 1.45, 3.32.
- 3. The requested authority to flare casinghead gas and gas well gas satisfies the requirements of Statewide Rule 32. 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 3.32.
- 4. Pursuant to § 2001.144(a)(4)(A) of the Texas Government Code, and the agreement of the applicant, the Final Order in this case can be final and effective when a Master Order relating to the Final Order is signed.

Ordering Provisions

It is **ORDERED** that Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC is granted 14 exceptions to Statewide Rule 32. Its request for authority to flare a maximum of 25 to 155 Mcfd of casinghead gas and gas well gas from the subject leases from December 30, 2018 to December 30, 2020, as reflected in attached Attachment A is **APPROVED**.

This authority is granted, provided all production is reported on the appropriate Commission forms. Anadarko shall file the Statewide Rule 32 Exception Data Sheet and, shall file at the same time, the required fee for a Statewide Rule 32 exception for each individual flare point on the subject leases. See 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 3.32(h)(1).

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Pursuant to § 2001.144(a)(4)(A) of the Texas Government Code and the agreement of the parties in writing or on the record, the parties have waived the right to file a motion for rehearing and the Final Order in this case is final and effective on the date the Master Order relating to the Final Order is signed.

Signed on June 18, 2019

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

(Order approved and signatures affixed by Hearings Division's Unprotested Master Order dated June 18, 2019)

ATTACHMENT A - FLARE EXCEPTION AUTHORITY

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	Location	Requested Exception Rate (MCFD)	Approved Renewal Expiration Date	RRC Permit Number	All Lease Numbers Associated with Facility/Permit	Request from Date	Request to Date	Casing Head Gas (CHG) and/or Gas Well Gas (GWG)
-	BIG PINEY 57-2-41 #1H	40	12/29/2018	34472	277111	12/30/2018	12/30/2020	GWG
2	BITTERROOT 54-1-18 #1H & #2H	40	12/29/2018	34468	47245, 280577	12/30/2018	12/30/2020	CHG & GWG
60	BLACKTIP SECTION 7 GATHERING STATION 2	105	12/29/2018	34463	44861	12/30/2018	12/30/2020	CHG
4	BLACKTIP SECTION 6 GATHERING STATION 1	98	12/29/2018	34462	46804	12/30/2018	12/30/2020	СНС
40	BOHLANDER 33-95 #1H	30	12/29/2018	34473	279553	12/30/2018	12/30/2020	GWG
9	BULLHEAD STATE 55-1-45 UNIT B #1H & #4H	40	12/29/2018	34467	279421, 47636	12/30/2018	12/30/2020	CHG & GWG
7	BYERLEY 1-33/LINK 1-32 UNIT (BYERLEY 1-33 #1H, #2H & LINK 1-32 UNIT #4H)	80	12/29/2018	34466	46812, 45967	12/30/2018	12/30/2020	CHG
00	HORN STATE 33-94 #1H	25	12/29/2018	34474	278237	12/30/2018	12/30/2020	GWG
6	LARAMIE 55-4-7 #1H	09	12/29/2018	34475	278242	12/30/2018	12/30/2020	GWG
10	LINDLEY 54-2-18 LOV #3H (LINDLEY 54-2-16 LOV #3H & SUNSHINE 54-2-21 #1H)	75	12/29/2018	34465	47503, 282836	12/30/2018	12/30/2020	CHG & GWG
=	MEDIÇINE BOW 58-1-13 #1H	35	12/29/2018	34476	276604	12/30/2018	12/30/2020	GWG
12	MONROE 34-188 CENTRAL FACILITY (MONROE 34-188 #ZH, #3H, #4H 7H)	30	12/29/2018	34469	40487, 279606, 278948, 279302	12/30/2018	12/30/2020	CHG & GWG
13		155	12/29/2018	34478	281604, 282883	12/30/2018	12/30/2020	GWG
*	14 WINGHEAD 56-2-28 #1H	25	12/28/2018	34470	277094	12/30/2018	12/30/2020	GWG