

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
HEARINGS DIVISION

OIL & GAS DOCKET NO. 04-0319702

APPLICATION OF SANDALWOOD EXPLORATION, L.P. (747194) TO AMEND FIELD RULES FOR THE PLYMOUTH (GRETA STRINGER) FIELD, SAN PATRICIO COUNTY, TEXAS

FINAL ORDER

The Railroad Commission of Texas ("Commission") finds that after statutory notice in the above-numbered docket on the application made by Sandalwood Exploration, LP (Operator No. 747194) heard on July 15, 2019, the Technical Examiner and Administrative Law Judge (collectively "Examiners") have made and filed a report and recommendation ("Report") containing findings of fact and conclusions of law, for which service was not required; that the proposed application complies 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 consideration of this matter, hereby adopts as its own the findings of fact and conclusions of law contained in the Report and incorporates those findings of fact and conclusions of law as if fully set out and separately stated herein.

Therefore, it is **ORDERED** that the following field rules for the Plymouth (Greta Stringer) Field (Field No. 72043018), in San Patricio County, Texas are hereby adopted.

The field rules for the Plymouth (Greta Stringer) Field are set out in their entirety as follows:

RULE 1: The Plymouth (Greta Stringer) Field is defined as the correlative interval from 4,575 feet to 4,650 feet as shown on the Electrical Log of the Seaboard Oil Co. R.H. Welder No. 5 Well (API No. 42-409-01620) located in Section 38, Welder Ranch Subdivision San Patricio County, Texas.

RULE 2: No well for oil or gas shall hereafter be drilled nearer than **THREE HUNDRED THIRTY (330)** feet to any property line, lease line, or subdivision line. There is no minimum between-well spacing requirement. 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. 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.

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 TWENTY (20) acres. No proration unit shall consist of more than TWENTY (20) acres except as otherwise provided herein or in the Commission's Statewide Rules. All proration units shall consist of continuous and contiguous acreage which can reasonably be considered to be productive of oil. No double assignment of acreage will be accepted.

If after drilling of the last oil well on any lease and the assignment of acreage to each well thereon in accordance with the regulations of the Commission there remains additional unassigned acreage of less than TWENTY (20) acres, then and in such event the remaining unassigned acreage up to and including a total of TEN (10) acres may be assigned as tolerance acreage to the last oil well drilled on such lease or may be distributed among any group of oil wells located thereon, so long as the proration units resulting from the inclusion of such additional acreage meet the limitations prescribed by the Commission.

For the determination of acreage credit in this field, operators shall file for each well in this field a Form P-15 Statement of Productivity of Acreage Assigned to Proration Units, or Form P-16 Data Sheet Acreage Designation. 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. Operators shall not be required to file plats with the Form P-15 or Form P-16 Data Sheet showing individual proration units for oil wells. Operators may, however, file such proration unit plats for individual wells in the field if they choose. Provided further, that if the acreage assigned to any well has been pooled, the operator shall furnish the Commission with such proof as it may require as evidence that interests in and under such proration unit have been so pooled. There is no maximum diagonal limitation in this field.

RULE 4: Each oil well shall be assigned an allowable of TWENTY (20) barrels of oil per day for each acre in the proration unit for the well.

Pursuant to § 2001.144(a)(4)(A), of the Texas Government Code, and by agreement of the parties in writing or on the record, **the parties have waived right to file**

a Motion for Rehearing and this Final Order is final and effective on the date the Master Order relating to the Final Order is signed.

Signed on August 20, 2019.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

**(Order approved and signatures affixed
by Hearings Division's Unprotected
Master Order dated August 20, 2019)**