RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS HEARINGS DIVISION

OIL AND GAS DOCKET NO. 08-0321335

APPLICATION OF LUXE OPERATING, LLC (511772) FOR AN EXCEPTION TO STATEWIDE RULE 32 FOR THE WILLETT POT STILL 5-2C UNIT, FORD, WEST (WOLFCAMP) FIELD, REEVES COUNTY, TEXAS

FINAL ORDER

The Railroad Commission of Texas ("Commission") finds that after a joint notice of hearing in the above-docketed case was provided to all parties entitled to notice, a hearing was held on September 19, 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

- 1. Luxe Operating, LLC ("Luxe") requested a two-year exception to Statewide Rule 32 ("SWR 32") for the flare point serving the Willett Pot Still 5-2C Unit, Ford West (Wolfcamp) Field, Reeves County, Texas, (the "Flare Point")
- 2. Luxe submitted a request for hearing on the SWR 32 exception flaring authority on June 26, 2019.
- 3. Luxe was previously granted administrative exceptions to SWR 32 for the Flare Point, which expires August 30, 2019.
- 4. On August 21, 2019 the Hearings Division of the Commission sent a Joint Notice of Hearing ("Notice") to Applicant and all offsetting operators in the field setting a hearing date of September 19, 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 September 19, 2019, as noticed. Applicant appeared and participated at the hearing. No one appeared in protest.
- 5. The gas well gas from the Luxe lease served by the Flare Point is gathered by EagleClaw Midstream Ventures, LLC ("EagleClaw").
- 6. Luxe has set the operating separator line pressure on the lease served by the Flare Point at approximately seventy-five (75) pounds per square inch ("psi") to comply with the contractual terms of delivering gas into the EagleClaw gathering systems.

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- 7. During events when the produced gas stream's separator line pressure exceeds seventy-five (75) psi, the curtailed volumes of produced gas from the Luxe lease are diverted to the Flare Point for combustion disposal.
- 8. The daily maximum average volume reported to be produced from the Luxe lease served by the Flare Point since January 2019 is 2,955 thousand cubic feet ("Mcf").
- 9. The maximum monthly volume reported to be flared from the Luxe lease served by the Flare Point since January 2019 is approximately 9,250 Mcf.
- 10. The requested SWR 32 exception to flare gas is necessary for Luxe to produce the recoverable hydrocarbon liquids from the Luxe lease served by the Flare Point.
- 11. At the hearing, Luxe 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. Proper notice was issued to persons entitled to notice. *See, e.g.,* Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.051; 16 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 1.42, 1.45.
- 2. The Commission has jurisdiction in this case. *See, e.g.,* Tex. Nat. Res. Code § 81.051.
- 3. SWR 32 requires gas to be utilized for purposes and uses authorized by law unless authorized. 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 3.32(b).
- 4. SWR 32 provides exceptions allowing the flaring of gas if certain requirements are met and the flaring is necessary. *See*, *e.g.*, 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 3.32(f), (h).
- 5. Luxe has met the requirements in SWR 32 to flare gas and the flaring of such gas is necessary.
- 6. Pursuant to the provisions of Texas Government Code §2001.144(a)(4)(A), this Final Order can be final and effective on the date a Master Order relating to this Final Order is signed.

Ordering Provisions

It is **ORDERED** that Luxe Operating, LLC. (511772) is granted a two-year exception to Statewide Rule 32. Its request for authority to flare gas from the flare point

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serving the Willett Pot Still 5-2C Unit, Ford West (Wolfcamp) Field, Reeves County, Texas, as reflected in attached Attachment A, is **APPROVED**.

This authority is granted, provided all production is reported on the appropriate Commission forms. Luxe 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 of the flare points identified on Attachment A, Ford, West (Wolfcamp) Field, Reeves County, Texas. See 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 3.32(h)(1).

Pursuant to § 2001.144(a)(4)(A) of the Texas Government Code and the agreement of the parties in writing or on the record, <u>the parties have waived the right</u> 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 November 19, 2019

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(Order approved and signatures affixed by Hearings Division's Unprotested Master Order dated November 19, 2019) Oil & Gas Docket No. 08-0321335 Final Order Page 4 of 4

ATTACHMENT A

Flare Permit Number	Commingle Permit Number	Flare Location/System Name	Permit Start Date	Permit End Date	Maximum Daily Flare Volume (Mcfd)	Maximum Monthly Flare Volume (Mcfm)	Casinghead or Gas Well Gas
37946	NA	Willett Pot Still 5-2C Unit 1H	9/1/2019	8/31/2021	2,955	9,250	Gas Well Gas

Note: Mcfd = thousand cubic feet per day Mcfm = thousand cubic feet per month