

and a 3,250 feet maximum diagonal; optional 40 acre gas units and no individual plats;

4. Allocation based on 100% per well, 800 BOPD MER allowable;
5. Six month tubing exception rule;
6. Six month 10 day filing of completion reports exception rule.

Anadarko requests that field rules be amended to reflect the January 2014 changes to the Statewide Rule 13, the option to file the P-16 *Data Sheet for Acreage Designation*, or Form P-15 *Statement of Productivity of Acreage assigned to Proration Units* for listing acreage, and additional time to file completion reports. Anadarko requested to file completion reports for horizontal wells within 90 days after initial production of the well, or within 150 days after the date on which drilling operation is completed if the well will not commence production. Anadarko also requested an automatic exemption to clear an associated storage tank if wells have commenced production. Anadarko did not consider filing completion reports within 90 days after completion of the well or within 150 days after the date on which drilling operations are completed, whichever is earlier to be adverse. The application is unopposed and the examiners recommend that the field rules for the Briscoe Ranch (Eagleford) Field be amended.

DISCUSSION OF THE EVIDENCE

Anadarko currently operate 42% of the wells in the Briscoe Ranch (Eagleford) Field and requests to amend the current field rules. Current rule 3 requires operators to file Form P-15. Anadarko requests that the current language be amended to allow operators in the field the option to file the P-16 Data Sheet that was adopted by the Commission for use on or after September 16, 2014. This proposed field rule amendment would allow operators to file a P-16 Data Sheet for the determination of acreage credit.

Anadarko also requests to update the current field rule 5. The current language references Statewide Rule 13(b)(5)(a). Statewide Rule 13 was amended, effective January 1, 2014, and the previous reference to Statewide Rule 13 is stale. In order to maintain the intended purpose of field rule 5, the language must be updated to reference Statewide Rule 13(b)(4)(A) instead of 13(b)(5)(a).

Anadarko proposes a new field rule that would allow operators in the field additional time to file completion reports. Anadarko has implemented a pad well drilling and completion program in the field. Anadarko may drill up to 6 wells at a time from a single pad location before any of the wells are completed. Recently, Anadarko has progressed from pad drilling to area drilling. Anadarko has large leases in the subject

field that lends to lease development. Due to field characteristics, Anadarko as well as other operators in the field, do not want to be drilling wells within one mile of a well at the time of completion of that well. Data indicates that the energy from the hydraulic fracture stimulation could impact drilling activities with an increase in pressure which may compromise the drilling mud system. Routinely, operators in the field will coordinate hydraulic fracture stimulations and drilling in the field

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FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Notice of this hearing was provided to all operators in the field at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the hearing and no protests were received.
2. Field rules for the Briscoe Ranch (Eagleford) Field were last amended in Final Order No. 01-0280513 (Nunc Pro Tunc, effective June 18, 2013).
3. Amending the field rules will provide operators in the field more flexibility in filing the required forms required by the Commission.
4. The current field rules are outdated since the rules reference Statewide Rule 13 which was amended, effective January 1, 2014.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Proper notice was issued as required by all applicable statutes and regulatory codes.
2. All things have occurred and been accomplished to give the Commission jurisdiction in this matter.
3. Amending the field rules for the Briscoe Ranch (Eagleford) Field is necessary to correct an outdated reference to Statewide Rule 13

EXAMINERS' RECOMMENDATION

Based on the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, the examiners recommend that the Commission amend the field rules for the Briscoe Ranch (Eagleford) Field, as proposed by Anadarko E&P Onshore, LLC.

Respectfully submitted,



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