

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
HEARINGS DIVISION**

**OIL & GAS DOCKET NO. 20-0297096**

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**IN RE: P-5 ORGANIZATION REPORT OF BLACK PEARL OPERATING COMP., LLC**

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**FINAL ORDER**

The Commission finds that after notice and an opportunity for hearing regarding the captioned matter, the Operator failed to request a hearing and pay the hearing fee as required by 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.15(g)(4) and TEX. NAT. RES. CODE §89.022(f). This matter having been duly submitted to the Railroad Commission of Texas at conference held in its offices in Austin, Texas, the Commission makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Black Pearl Operating Comp., LLC [Operator #072713] (the “Operator”), is the record operator or one or more inactive wells in the State of Texas and is required to file Organization Report (Form P-5) with the Commission. Operator’s most recent P-5 was due on or before February 1, 2015.
2. After filing its most recent Organization Report (Form P-5) with the Commission, the Operator was notified they were deficient and had failed to comply with the requirements of 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 3.15 (Surface Equipment Removal Requirements and Inactive Wells) and provided with a written statement of the reasons for the determination and allowed ninety (90) days from the date its P-5 was due to comply with the requirements of 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 3.15 and TEX. NAT. RES. CODE §§89.021 - 89.030.
3. After the expiration of ninety (90) days and pursuant to 16 TEX. ADMIN CODE §3.15(g)(4), an authorized Commission employee determined that the Operator’s Organization Report still could not be renewed because the Operator continued to fail to comply with the requirements of 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.15 (Surface Equipment Removal Requirements and Inactive Wells).
4. The Commission sent the Operator a letter by certified mail giving notice to the Operator of the determination of continued non-compliance regarding specified inactive wells, attached as Exhibit A to this order, and advising the Operator of the right to request a hearing to show compliance. The letter notified the Operator that the hearing request must be received in docket services no later than 30 days after the date of the letter. The letter also notified the Operator that a final order denying renewal of the Operator’s Organization Report (Form P-5) would result in the cancellation of all P-4 Certificates of Compliance and the severance of all pipeline or other carrier connections.

5. All notices and letters from the Commission to the Operator on this matter were addressed and mailed to the Operator's most recently reported address on the Form P-5 Organization Report.
6. The Operator did not timely request a hearing and pay the hearing fee on these issues as required under 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.15(g)(4) (Surface Equipment Removal Requirements and Inactive Wells).
7. Statewide Rule 15 (16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.15) is a Commission rule that relates to safety or the prevention or control of pollution.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Operator received proper notice and an opportunity for hearing regarding compliance with 16 Tex. Admin. Code §3.15 and Tex. Nat. Res. Code §§89.021 - 89.030.
2. All things necessary to the Commission attaining jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties in this matter have been performed or have occurred.
3. The Operator is in violation of Commission Statewide Rule 15 and did not timely request a hearing to contest the determination that it was in violation.
4. The Operator's P-5 Organization Report should not be renewed and all of the Operator's P-4 Certificates of Compliance should be cancelled, with all related pipeline or other carrier connections severed. 16 Tex. Admin. Code §3.15 (g)(4) and Tex. Nat. Res. Code §§89.022(f), 91.704 - 91.706.
5. The Operator's P-5 Organization Report cannot be renewed until the operator brings the inactive wells shown on the attached Exhibit A into compliance with the requirements of 16 Tex. Admin. Code §3.15 and Tex. Nat. Res. Code §§89.021 - 89.030.

**IT IS ORDERED** that renewal of Black Pearl Operating Comp., LLC's P-5 Organization Report is hereby **DENIED**.

**It is further ORDERED** that all P-4 Certificates of Compliance issued to Black Pearl Operating Comp., LLC as operator of record are hereby **CANCELLED** and all related pipeline or other carrier connections are hereby **SEVERED**.

**It is further ORDERED** that Black Pearl Operating Comp., LLC shall bring the wells on Exhibit A into compliance with Statewide Rule 15 (16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.15) and that the Operator's P-5 Organization Report shall not be renewed until the wells on Exhibit A have been brought into compliance as required by this order.

**It is further ORDERED** that Black Pearl Operating Comp., LLC and each person who held a position of ownership or control in the Operator at the time the Operator's most-recent P-5 Organization Report was filed shall be subject to the terms of TEX. NAT. RES. CODE §91.114.

**It is further ORDERED** by the Commission that this order shall not be final and effective until 20 days after a party is notified of the Commission's order. A party is presumed to have been notified of the Commission's order three days after the date on which the notice is actually mailed. If a timely motion for rehearing 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), 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 90 days from the date the parties are notified of the order.

All requested Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law which are not expressly adopted herein are **DENIED**. All pending motions and request for relief not previously granted or granted herein are **DENIED**.

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

(Signatures affixed by Rule 15 Inactive Well  
Master Order dated July 14, 2015.)

API Number	District	ID Number	Lease Name	Well Number
009 33564	09	00678	ICKERT, A. F. -A- Electricity must be disconnected (certify on Form W-3C) No approved W-3X on file	18 A
009 34814	09	00678	ICKERT, A. F. -A- Electricity must be disconnected (certify on Form W-3C) No approved W-3X on file	20
009 36248	09	00678	ICKERT, A. F. -A- No approved W-3X on file	21
009 82719	09	00678	ICKERT, A. F. -A- Electricity must be disconnected (certify on Form W-3C) No approved W-3X on file	2
009 82720	09	00678	ICKERT, A. F. -A- No approved W-3X on file	12
485 32807	09	06173	NORWOOD, JOHN H. ETAL No approved W-3X on file Must resolve Field Operations H-15 delinquency preventing 14B2 approval	14
485 38448	09	22580	BOONE, T.R. Electricity must be disconnected (certify on Form W-3C) No approved W-3X on file	2S
485 38587	09	22580	BOONE, T.R. Electricity must be disconnected (certify on Form W-3C) No approved W-3X on file	1S
485 39484	09	22580	BOONE, T.R. No approved W-3X on file Must resolve Field Operations H-15 delinquency preventing 14B2 approval	3S
485 40091	09	22580	BOONE, T.R. Electricity must be disconnected (certify on Form W-3C) No approved W-3X on file	4S
485 86853	09	06173	NORWOOD, JOHN H. ETAL No approved W-3X on file Must resolve Field Operations H-15 failure preventing 14(B)(2) approval	12
487 80622	09	06579	WAGGONER -JJ- Electricity must be disconnected (certify on Form W-3C) No approved W-3X on file	1
487 80623	09	06579	WAGGONER -JJ- No approved W-3X on file	2
487 80626	09	06579	WAGGONER -JJ- No approved W-3X on file	5
487 80627	09	06583	WAGGONER -M- No approved W-3X on file	1

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Exhibit A

API Number	District	ID Number	Lease Name	Well Number
487 80630	09	06583	WAGGONER -M-	7
No approved W-3X on file				
503 37776	09	23915	O'DELL	1
No approved W-3X on file				
Must resolve Field Operations H-15 delinquency preventing 14B2 approval				
503 82705	09	23915	O'DELL	2W
No approved W-3X on file				

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# Exhibit A