

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL**

**OIL AND GAS DOCKET
NO. 01-0246789**

**IN THE JOHN T. SAUNDERS (WILCOX 5380)
FIELD, LA SALLE COUNTY, TEXAS**

**FINAL ORDER
ADOPTING TEMPORARY FIELD RULES FOR THE
JOHN T. SAUNDERS (WILCOX 5380) FIELD
LA SALLE COUNTY, TEXAS**

The Commission finds that after statutory notice in the above-numbered docket heard on April 20, 2006, the presiding examiner has made and filed reports and recommendations containing findings of fact and conclusions of law, for which service was not required; that the proposed application is in compliance with all statutory requirements; and that these proceedings were duly submitted to the Railroad Commission of Texas at conference held in its offices in Austin, Texas.

The Commission, after review and due consideration of the examiner's reports and recommendations, the findings of fact and conclusions of law contained therein, hereby adopts as its own the findings of fact and conclusions of law contained therein, and incorporates said findings of fact and conclusions of law as if fully set out and separately stated herein.

Therefor it is **ORDERED** by the Railroad Commission of Texas that the following temporary field rules be and are hereby adopted for the John T. Saunders (Wilcox 5380) Field.

RULE 1: The entire correlative interval between 5380 feet and 5452 feet, as shown on the Induction-neutron-density log of the Lakewood Operating, Ltd. Burks Ranch Lease, Well No. 3 (API No. 283-31879), Henry Brewster Survey (A-81), La Salle County, Texas, shall be designated as a single reservoir for proration purposes.

RULE 2: No well for gas shall hereafter be drilled nearer than SIX HUNDRED SIXTY (660) feet to any property line, lease line, or subdivision line and no well shall be drilled nearer than ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED TWENTY (1320) feet to any applied for, permitted or completed well in the same reservoir on the same lease, pooled unit or unitized tract. 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 gas well for the purpose of allocating allowable gas production thereto shall be known as a proration unit. The standard drilling and proration units are established hereby to be ONE HUNDRED SIXTY (160) acres. No proration unit shall consist of more than ONE HUNDRED SIXTY (160) acres; provided that, tolerance acreage of ten (10) percent shall be allowed for each standard proration unit so that an amount not to exceed a maximum of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIX (176) acres may be assigned. The two farthestmost points in any proration unit shall not be in excess of FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (4500) feet removed from each other. Each proration unit containing less than ONE HUNDRED SIXTY (160) acres shall be a fractional proration unit. All proration units shall consist of continuous and contiguous acreage which can reasonably be considered to be productive of gas. No double assignment of acreage will be accepted.

Operators shall file with the Commission certified plats of their properties, which plats shall set out distinctly all of those things pertinent to the determination of the acreage credit claimed for each well; provided that if the acreage assigned to any proration unit 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.

RULE 4: The daily allowable production of gas from individual wells completed in a non-associated gas reservoir of the subject field shall be determined by allocating the allowable production, after deductions have been made for wells which are incapable of producing their gas allowables, among the individual wells in the proportion that the acreage assigned such well for proration purposes bears to the summation of the acreage with respect to all proratable wells producing from the same field.

It is further **ORDERED** that these rules are temporary and effective until December 1, 2007, or until Commission staff evaluates appropriate data after notice and opportunity for hearing as offered by the Commission prior to the expiration of the rules. After this notice and opportunity for hearing, should the evidence evaluated during review be insufficient to sustain spacing or proration unit rules, these temporary rules, on the Commission's own motion, will be terminated and the field will revert to Statewide spacing and density rules.

Signed this sixteenth day of May, 2006.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
(Order approved and signatures affixed by
OGC Unprotested Master Order dated May
16, 2006.)