

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
HEARINGS DIVISION**

**OIL AND GAS DOCKET
NO. 6E-0287457**

**IN THE EAST TEXAS FIELD
GREGG, RUSK, UPSHUR,
CHEROKEE, AND SMITH
COUNTIES, TEXAS**

**FINAL ORDER
AMENDING RULE 25 OF THE FIELD RULES
FOR THE EAST TEXAS FIELD
GREGG, RUSK, UPSHUR, CHEROKEE,
AND SMITH COUNTIES, TEXAS**

The Commission finds that after statutory notice in the above-numbered docket heard on March 19, 2014, the presiding examiner has made and filed a report and recommendation 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 this proceeding was 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 report and recommendation 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.

Therefore, it is **ORDERED** by the Railroad Commission of Texas that Rule 25 of the special field rules for the East Texas Field (adopted April 27, 1999, in Oil and Gas Docket No. 6E-0221265) is hereby amended to provide that:

RULE 25. Well tests shall be conducted and the results filed with the Railroad Commission once every four years. This rule supersedes all other well testing periods set out in the field rules. The next required well testing in the field shall be conducted between July 1, 2016 and December 31, 2016, with an oil well status report due date of January 1 and an effective date of February 1; and during the same period every fourth year thereafter. In years when a test is not required, operators of wells listed on the oil proration schedule shall report the producing or shut-in status of each such well on the annual well status report with a due date of January 1 and an effective date of February 1. This order does not prohibit any operator from conducting well tests (Form W-10 retests) on a more frequent basis than required by the field rules and does not affect testing required in connection

with surface commingling authority. In particular, well testing periods in the following programs are hereby amended:

Water Well Shut Down [WWSD] (adopted by Special Order No. 6-3, 456, Effective March 1, 1942, as amendment to numbered paragraph 4 to Special Order No. 6-3437);

Water-Oil Ratio [WOR] (numbered paragraph 3, as adopted by Special Order No. 20-64, 900, effective April 1, 1975); and

Earned Saltwater Allowable [ESA] (numbered paragraph 5, Order No. 6-3142, effective January 1, 1942, as amended by Special Order 6-5376, effective July 1, 1943).

Done this 6th day of May, 2014.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

**(Order approved and signatures affixed by
Hearings Division's Unprotected Master
Order dated May 6, 2014)**