

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
HEARINGS DIVISION**

**OIL AND GAS DOCKET  
NO. 01-0300500**

**IN THE BRISCOE RANCH  
(EAGLEFORD) FIELD, VARIOUS  
COUNTIES, TEXAS**

**FINAL ORDER  
AMENDING FIELD RULES FOR THE  
BRISCOE RANCH (EAGLEFORD) FIELD  
VARIOUS COUNTIES, TEXAS**

The Commission finds that after statutory notice in the above-numbered docket heard on June 30, 2016, the presiding examiners have 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 examiners' 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 the field rules adopted on March 9, 2010 in Oil & Gas Docket No. 01-0263787, for the Briscoe Ranch (Eagleford) Field, Atascosa, Dimmit, Frio, La Salle, Maverick, Webb, and Zavala Counties, Texas, as amended, are hereby amended. The amended field rules are set out in their entirety as follows:

**RULE 1:** The entire correlative interval from 7,160 feet to 7,535 feet as shown on the log of the TXCO Resources Inc. - Briscoe Catarina West Lease, Well No. 1 (API No. 42-127-33421), Section 93, Block 8, I&GN RR Co. Survey, A-874, Dimmit County, Texas, shall be designated as a single reservoir for proration purposes and be designated as the Briscoe Ranch (Eagleford) Field.

**RULE 2:** No well for oil or gas shall hereafter be drilled nearer than **THREE HUNDRED THIRTY (330)** feet to any property line, lease line, or subdivision line. There is no minimum between well spacing requirement. 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.

Provided, however, that for purposes of spacing for horizontal wells, the following shall apply:

- a. No horizontal drainhole well for oil or gas shall hereafter be drilled such that the first and last take point are nearer than ONE HUNDRED (100) feet to any property line, lease line or subdivision line.
- b. For each horizontal drainhole well, the perpendicular distance from any take point on such horizontal drainhole between the first take point and the last take point to any point or any property line, lease line or subdivision line shall be a minimum of THREE HUNDRED THIRTY (330) feet.

**RULE 3a:** The acreage assigned to the individual vertical oil well for the purpose of allocating allowable oil production thereto shall be known as a proration unit. The standard drilling and proration units are established hereby to be EIGHTY (80) acres. No proration unit shall consist of more than EIGHTY (80) acres except as hereinafter provided. All proration units shall consist of continuous and contiguous acreage which can reasonably be considered to be productive of oil.

If after the drilling of the last well on any lease and the assignment of acreage to each well thereon in accordance with the regulations of the Commission there remains an additional unassigned acreage of less than EIGHTY (80) acres, then and in such event the remaining unassigned acreage up to and including a total of FORTY (40) acres may be assigned as tolerance acreage to the last well drilled on such lease or may be distributed among any group of wells located thereon, so long as the proration units resulting from the inclusion of such additional acreage meet the limitations prescribed by the Commission.

An operator, at his option, shall be permitted to form optional drilling units of FORTY (40) acres. A proportional acreage allowable credit will be given for a well on a fractional proration unit.

**RULE 3b:** The acreage assigned to the individual vertical 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 EIGHTY (80) acres. No proration unit shall consist of more than EIGHTY (80) acres except as hereinafter provided; 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 EIGHTY EIGHT (88) acres may be assigned. Each proration unit containing less than EIGHTY (80) 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.

An operator, at his option, shall be permitted to form optional drilling units of FORTY (40) acres. A proportional acreage allowable credit will be given for a well on a fractional proration unit.

**RULE 3c:** With regard to horizontal wells, acreage may be assigned to each horizontal drainhole well for the purpose of allocating allowable oil or gas production as provided in Statewide Rule 86(d).

**RULE 4a:** Each oil well shall have unlimited net gas-oil ratio authority.

**RULE 4b:** The gas field shall be classified as associated-prorated. The allowable production of gas from individual wells completed in 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 reservoir. The gas allocation formula remains suspended administratively.

The Briscoe Ranch (Eagleford) Field is a hydrogen sulfide field and shall be regulated pursuant to Statewide Rule 36.

Pursuant to Final Order No. 01-0270024, all wells completed with a gas-oil ratio of 3,000 cubic feet per barrel and above in the Briscoe Ranch (Eagleford) Field, Dimmit, La Salle, Maverick and Webb Counties, Texas, are permanently classified as gas wells without the need of further administrative review, effective the date of initial completion.

Done this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016.

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

**(Order approved and signatures affixed  
by Hearings Divisions' Unprotested  
Master Order dated September 12,  
2016)**