

# RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

## OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

### HEARINGS SECTION

OIL AND GAS DOCKET NO. 09-0248079

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**ENFORCEMENT ACTION AGAINST SANCO OPERATING COMPANY (OPERATOR NO. 747022) FOR VIOLATIONS OF STATEWIDE RULES ON THE CORNELIUS LEASE, WELL NOS. 131 AND 132 AND TANK BATTERY, WILBARGER COUNTY REGULAR FIELD, WILBARGER COUNTY, TEXAS.**

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### FINAL ORDER

The Commission finds that after statutory notice the captioned enforcement proceedings were heard by the examiner on February 8, 2007. The examiner has circulated a Proposal for Decision containing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law. Having been duly submitted to the Railroad Commission of Texas at conference held in its offices in Austin, Texas, those Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are hereby adopted and made a part hereof by reference.

It is accordingly **ORDERED** that, within 30 days from the day immediately following the date this order becomes final that Sanco Operating Company (Op. No. 747022) shall:

- 1.) pay an administrative penalty of **FOURTEEN THOUSAND AND NINE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$14,950)**; and
- 2.) place the Cornelius Lease, Well Nos. 131 and 132, Wilbarger County Regular Field, Wilbarger County, in compliance with all Commission Statewide Rules, particularly Commission Statewide Rules 3, 5, 8, 13 and 14.
- 3.) properly plug Well Nos. 131 and 132 on the Cornelius Lease in compliance with Statewide Rule 14 with advance notice to the District Office.

It is further **ORDERED** that Charles W. Sanders, Keiko Sanders and Chris C. Sanders, and any organization in which any of them may hold a position of ownership or control, shall be subject to the restrictions of Texas Natural Resources Code §91.114(a)(2) for a period of no more than seven years from the date the order entered in this matter becomes final, or sooner, if the conditions that constituted the violations herein are corrected or are being corrected in accordance with a schedule to which the Commission and the organization have agreed; and all administrative, civil and criminal penalties and all cleanup and plugging costs incurred by the State relating to those conditions are paid or are being paid in accordance with a schedule to which the Commission and the organization have agreed.

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 3 days after the date on which the notice is actually mailed. If a timely motion for rehearing is filed by any party at interest within such 20-day period after the party's presumed notice, this order shall not become final until such motion is overruled, or if rehearing 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 in accordance with TEX. GOV'T CODE §2001.144.

Each exception to the examiner's proposal for decision not expressly granted herein is overruled. All requested findings of fact and conclusions of law which are not expressly adopted herein are denied. All pending motions and requests for relief not previously granted or granted herein are denied.

Noncompliance with the provisions of this order is subject to enforcement by the Attorney General and subject to civil penalties of up to \$10,000.00 per day per violation.

Done this 17th day of July, 2007, in Austin, Texas.

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

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**CHAIRMAN ELIZABETH A. JONES**

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**COMMISSIONER MICHAEL L. WILLIAMS**

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**COMMISSIONER VICTOR G. CARRILLO**

**ATTEST:**

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**SECRETARY**