

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
HEARINGS DIVISION**

**OIL & GAS DOCKET NO.
03-0301933**

**IN THE DEEP PINES (WDBN/AC)
FIELD, WALKER COUNTY, TEXAS**

**FINAL ORDER
GRANTING THE APPLICATION OF SM ENERGY COMPANY
PURSUANT TO STATEWIDE RULE 101
FOR THE DESIGNATION OF A PORTION OF THE DEEP PINES (WDBN/AC) FIELD AS A
TIGHT GAS FORMATION, WALKER COUNTY, TEXAS**

The Commission finds that after statutory notice in the above-numbered docket heard on June 9, 2017, the Technical Examiner and Administrative Law Judge (collectively "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 complies 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 application of SM Energy Company for a tight formation area designation for that portion of the Deep Pines (WDBN/AC) Field in Walker County, Texas, described below, is hereby **GRANTED**.

The designated tight formation area includes that portion of the Deep Pines (WDBN/AC) Field that consists of the correlative interval from 13,120 feet to 13,500 feet true vertical depth, as shown on the log of the SM Energy Company Ben Unit, Well No. 1H, (API No. 42-471-30369), and within the P. Blanchet Survey A-7 in Walker County containing 1,313 acres, as shown in the attached map, is hereby designated as a tight gas formation and therefore produces high cost gas pursuant to 16 TAC §3.101.

Pursuant to §2001.144(a)(4)(A), of the Texas Government Code, and by agreement of the Parties in writing or on the record, **the parties have waived right to file a Motion for Rehearing and this Final Order is effective on the date the Master Order relating to the Final Order is signed.**

Done this 19th day of September 2017.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

**(Order approved and signatures affixed by
Hearings Division's Unprotected Master Order
dated September 19, 2017)**



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Exhibit No. 10a