

Section 502(c) of the Natural Gas Policy Act 15 U.S.C. 3412(c) and Rules 1101-1117 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.1101-385.1117) requesting, a 90-day extension to make refunds, an adjustment to its procedures to defer payment of principal and interest for one year, and an adjustment to its procedures to defer payment of principal and interest for one year, and an adjustment to its procedures to stop the accruing of interest, all a more fully set forth in the petition which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, First Sellers requests that the Commission: (1) grant a 90-day extension to try to resolve any disputes as to the proper amount of the refund liability for the Kansas *ad valorem* tax reimbursements and to make refunds or to submit such dispute to the Commission for resolution if the parties cannot resolve the dispute within such time; (2) grant an adjustment to its procedures to allow First Sellers to defer payment of principal and interest attributable to royalties for one year; and (3) grant an adjustment to its procedures to allow First Sellers to place into an escrow account not only any disputed amount of the refund but also, (i) principal and interest attributable to royalty refunds which have not been collected from royalty owners; (ii) principal and interest on amounts attributable to production prior to October 4, 1983; and (iii) interest on all other principal claimed to be due under the SRD.

Applicant requests that it not be determined a working interest owner or First Seller of any of the production with respect to which the tax reimbursement were made and that it therefore has no liability under the SRD. Applicant states that it owned no working interest in the wells for which claims for refunds have been made and is therefore not directed by the September 10 Order. As such, Applicant states that it has no refund liability for the reimbursements listed in the SRD and requests a determination to that fact.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said petition should on or before 15 days after the date of publication in the **Federal Register** of this notice, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214, 385.211, 385.1105, and 385.1106). All protests

filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. SA98-41-000]

#### Hummon Corporation; Notice of Petition for Adjustment

March 19, 1998.

Take notice that on March 9, 1998, Hummon Corporation (Hummon), 950 N. Tyler Road, Wichita, Kansas 6721-3240, filed a petition for adjustment under section 502(c) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA),<sup>1</sup> requesting, on behalf of first sellers (First Sellers)<sup>2</sup> for whom it operated, that the Commission, *inter alia*, grant Hummon a 90-day extension for making refunds so First Sellers and Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company (Panhandle) could resolve any dispute as to the proper amount of First Sellers' refund liability for the Kansas *ad valorem* tax reimbursements set forth in the Statement of Refunds Due (SRD)<sup>3</sup> and to make refunds or to submit such dispute to the Commission for resolution if the parties cannot resolve it within such time, all as more fully set forth in the petition which is open to the public for inspection.

Hummon also requests that the Commission grant an adjustment to its procedures to allow First Sellers to defer payment of principal and interest attributable to royalties for one year. Hummon further requests that the Commission, in order to stop the accrual of interest pending resolution of disputes and legal issues, grant an

<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 3143(c) (1982).

<sup>2</sup> First Sellers are identified as: George C. Berryman, Donald M. Brod, Phyllis E. Brod Trust, Robert A. Clark, Floyd D. Crockett, Roy B. Henderson, George C. Hill, Bryon E. Hummon, Jr., John L. Kiser, Willard J. Kiser, William Mowery Trust, Anne B. Porter Berryman, Alan Sturm, and Arthur Vara, Jr.

<sup>3</sup> Hummon states that Panhandle's SRD claims \$11,440.19 for 100 percent of the tax reimbursements, including interest through March 9, 1998.

adjustment to the Commission's procedures to allow First Sellers to place into an escrow account not only any disputed amount of the refund, but also (1) principal and interest attributable to royalty refunds which have not been collected from royalty owners; (2) principal and interest on amounts attributable to production prior to October 4, 1983; and (3) interest on all other principal amounts claimed to be due under the SRD.

Hummon also requests that the Commission determine that Hummon was not a working interest owner or first seller of any of the production with respect to which the tax reimbursements were made and that it therefore has no liability under the SRD.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said petition should on or before 15 days after the date of publication in the **Federal Register** of this notice, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214, 385.211, 385.1105, and 385.1106). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. SA98-28-000]

#### Kaiser-Francis Oil Company; Notice of Petition for Adjustment

March 19, 1998.

Take notice that on March 9, 1998, Kaiser-Francis Oil Company (Kaiser) filed a petition for adjustment under section 502(c) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA),<sup>1</sup> requesting a one-year extension of the deadline for making refunds as to royalties and requesting that the Commission grant a procedural adjustment to allow it to

<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 3142(c) (1982).