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August 10, 2017

## **ORDER NO. 1597**

Order concerning the establishment of rules and regulations and the creation of a single drilling and production unit for the **Frio Zone**, **Reservoir A**, in the **NORTHEAST IOWA FIELD**, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana.

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Pursuant to power delegated under the laws of the State of Louisiana, and particularly Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, and after a public hearing held under **Docket No. 17-359** in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on **July 18, 2017**, upon the application of **EBR LOUISIANA**, **LLC**, following legal publication of notice and notice in accordance with the Louisiana Administrative Code Title 43 Part XIX, Subpart 17, Chapter 39 as prescribed by the Commissioner of Conservation, the following Order is issued and promulgated by the Commissioner of Conservation as being reasonably necessary to conserve the natural resources of the State, to prevent waste as defined by law, to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, and otherwise to carry out the provisions of the laws of this State.

## **DEFINITION**

The Frio Zone, Reservoir A, in the Northeast Iowa Field, is hereby defined as being the stratigraphic equivalent of that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the depths of 8,970 feet and 11,950 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Magnolia Petroleum Company - Powell Lumber Co. No. C-1 Well, located in the Iowa Field, Section 31, Township 8 South, Range 6 West, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana.

# FINDINGS

The Commissioner of Conservation finds as follows:

- 1. That the establishment of rules and regulations and the creation of a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Frio Zone, Reservoir A, in the Northeast Iowa Field, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana, are necessary to insure orderly development, to prevent waste and to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells.
- 2. That the available geological, engineering or other appropriate information indicates that the unit designated F RA SUA, as shown on the plat labeled, "EBR Louisiana, L.L.C. Exhibit No. 5 for Docket No. 17-359", a copy of which is attached hereto, is reasonable and should be adopted; that said unit encompasses the maximum area which may be efficiently and economically drained by the well or wells designated by the Commissioner of Conservation to serve said unit as the unit well, substitute unit well, or alternate unit well, and that creation of such unit should reasonably assure to each separate tract included therein an opportunity to recover its just and equitable share of the contents of the reservoir.
- 3. That the separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit created herein should be force pooled and integrated with each separate tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 4. That any future wells drilled to the Frio Zone, Reservoir A, within or outside of the unit created herein, should be located in accordance with the spacing provisions of LAC 43:XIX.1901 et seq. (Statewide Order No. 29-E).
- 5. That the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the reservoir by Supplemental Order, without the necessity of a public hearing, if the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.

#### ORDER

## NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The unit designated F RA SUA, as shown on the plat labeled, "EBR Louisiana, L.L.C. - Exhibit No. 5 for Docket No. 17-359", a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, be and it is hereby approved and adopted as a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Frio Zone, Reservoir A, in the Northeast Iowa Field, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana.

The unit has not been surveyed, and when a survey plat of the unit showing the exterior limits thereof, the total acreage therein, and the acreage in each separately owned tract, has been submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation or any member of his staff, insofar as it shows the exterior limits of the unit, said plat shall be substituted for the above exhibit and made a part of this Order by reference. In the event of conflicting claims of ownership of acreage in the unit, such acreage may be so identified on the survey plat. Such identification of acreage subject to conflicting claims shall not be construed as an acknowledgment of the validity of any such claims, and shall not affect any other acreage in the separately owned tracts in the unit.

The survey plat shall be prepared in accordance with the requirements for unit plats and survey plats adopted by the Commissioner of Conservation. It is recognized that the exterior boundary lines of the unit, as surveyed, may differ from those lines as shown on the attached plat because of the requirements that by survey the geologically significant wells be correctly located with respect to each other and to the unit boundary lines that they control.

- 2. The separately owned tracts, mineral leases, and other property interests within the unit created herein are hereby pooled, consolidated, and integrated in accordance with Section 10, Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, with each tract sharing in unit production in the proportion that the surface area of such tract bears to the entire surface area of said unit. Also, all operations on and production from the unit shall be considered operations on and production from each of the separate tracts within said unit and under the terms of each of the mineral leases affecting said tracts.
- 3. Future wells drilled to the Frio Zone, Reservoir A, within or outside of the unit created herein, shall be located in accordance with Finding No. 4 hereof.
- 4. Future reclassification of the reservoir, as the result of a change in the producing characteristics thereof, shall be accomplished in accordance with Finding No. 5 hereof.
- 5. Except to the extent contrary herewith, the provisions of all applicable Statewide Orders shall apply to the unit created herein.
- 6. When there is obtained additional geological, engineering or other appropriate information which would indicate a required change or revision of the unit boundaries as adopted herein, or which would indicate a required change or revision of other provisions of this Order, the party or parties in possession of such additional information shall petition the Commissioner of Conservation for a public hearing for the purpose of considering appropriate changes.

This Order shall be effective on and after July 18, 2017.

OFFICE OF CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

RICHARD P. IEYOUB COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

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EBR Louisiana, L.L.C. Exhibit No. 5 for Docket No. 17-359 Attached

