

**BEFORE THE
OIL & GAS COMMISSION**

BLAZE OIL & GAS, INC.,

Appellant,

-vs-

DONALD L. MASON, CHIEF,
DIVISION OF OIL & GAS,

Appellee.

Appeal No. 605

Review of Chief's Order 96-280


**ORDER OF THE COMMISSION
ADOPTING JOINT MOTION
FOR CONSENT DECISION**

The Oil & Gas Commission has received and reviewed the parties' Consent Agreement and finds it well taken. Accordingly, the Board hereby **ADOPTS** the Consent Decision. There being no outstanding issues of law or fact, the Board hereby **DISMISSES** appeal no. 605, with prejudice.

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

STATE OF OHIO

BLAZE OIL AND GAS, INC.)	
)	
Appellant,)	APPEAL NO. 605
)	
v.)	CHIEF'S ORDER NO. 96-280
)	
DONALD L. MASON, Esq., Chief,)	
Division of Oil and Gas)	
Ohio Department of Natural)	
Resources,)	
)	
Appellee.)	

CONSENT AGREEMENT

Now come the parties, appellant, Blaze Oil and Gas, Inc. (hereafter "Blaze") and appellee, Donald L. Mason, Chief of the Division of Oil and Gas, who, in order to settle the administrative proceeding captioned Blaze Oil and Gas, Inc. v. Donald L. Mason, Chief, Division of Oil and Gas, presently pending before the Oil and Gas Commission as Appeal No. 605 (Chief's Order No. 96-280), stipulate to the following facts and conditions:

FACTS

1. Blaze Oil is the owner of the oil and gas well known as the Reining Lease No. 5 Well, Permit 3904, located in Hardy Township, Holmes County, Ohio.

2. Inspections by the Division of Oil and Gas have found that the Reining Lease No. 5 Well is incapable of producing oil and gas in commercial quantities.

3. Chief's Order 96-280 was issued on December 12, 1996 by the Chief of the Division of Oil and Gas requiring Blaze either to place the Reining Lease No. 5 Well into production within 10 days of the receipt of the Order or to cause the Reining Lease No. 5 Well to be plugged and abandoned within 30 days of receipt of the Order. Certified mail service of Chief's Order 96-280 was signed for on December 19, 1996.

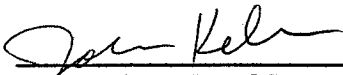
4. The Reining Lease No. 5 Well was not placed into production within 10 days of the receipt of Chief's Order 96-280 nor was it plugged within 30 days of its receipt. As of the execution of this Consent Agreement, this well has not been produced nor has it been plugged and restored as required by Chief's Order 96-280.

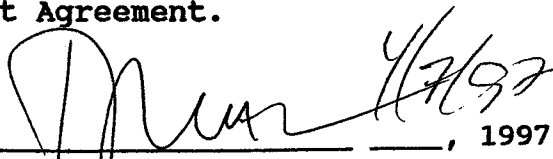
CONDITIONS

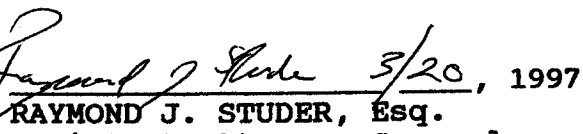
5. By June 30, 1997, Blaze shall either place into production or plug, in accordance with the requirements of R.C. Chapter 1509. and Ohio Admin. Code Chapter 1501., the Reining Lease No. 5 Well. Within 6 months of the plugging of this well, Blaze shall restore, in accordance with the requirements of R.C. 1509. and Ohio Admin. Code 1501., the well site including but not limited to the establishment of vegetative cover to bind the soil and prevent substantial erosion. If necessary the well site will be reseeded until proper growth occurs

6. This appeal is dismissed with prejudice.

7. The Division of Oil and Gas reserves all rights to enforce R.C. Chapter 1509. and Ohio Admin. Code Chapter 1501., including but not limited to the filing of a civil action seeking injunctive relief and civil penalty for the failure of Blaze to comply with the terms of this Consent Agreement.


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