

Application for Exception to Statewide Rule 32

**SECTION 1: APPLICANT AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

- 1. Operator P-5 Number:
- 2. Operator Name:
- 3. 24-Hour Emergency Contact Number:
- 4. Operator Address:
- 5. Site Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. Is the operator aware of the "Recommended Lighting Practices" related to flaring in the February 2019 Notice to Operators (see <https://rrc.texas.gov/media/50349/notice-to-operators-dark-skies-2-11-2019.pdf>)
  - a.  Yes
  - b.  No

**SECTION 2: EXCEPTION TYPE**

- 1. Is this application for a new or a renewal exception (check one)?
  - a.  New. *See Instructions.*
  - b.  Renewal of SWR 32 Exception Number:
    - i.  Administrative Renewal. *See Instructions.*
    - ii.  Hearing Request. *See Instructions.*

**SECTION 3: PRODUCING PROPERTY**

- 1. This exception request is associated with the following oil or gas property (choose one):
  - a.  Drilling Permit Number:
  - b.  Gas ID Number:
  - c.  Oil Lease Number:
  - d.  Surface Commingle Permit Number:
    - i. Number of commingled properties: \_\_\_\_\_ (Complete **ATTACHMENT 1**)
  - e.  Gas Plant Serial Number:
  - f.  Multiple properties [in the event of a full or partial shut-down of a gas plant, gas gathering system, etc., as provided for in SWR 32 (h)(8)]
    - i. Number of properties: \_\_\_\_\_ (Complete **ATTACHMENT 1**)
- 2. Number of flares and/or vents associated with this exception: \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Is this oil and/or gas property connected to a gas gathering or transmission system?
  - a.  Yes
  - b.  No. Provide the distance to the nearest pipeline: \_\_\_\_\_  feet or  miles

**SECTION 4 – REQUESTED RELEASE AUTHORITY**

- 1. Requested Release Rate. *See Instructions.*
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ MCF/Day. *See Instructions.*
    - i.  For every day of the calendar month, or
    - ii.  For \_\_\_\_\_ days per calendar month.
- 2. Requested Exception Duration
  - a. Effective Date:
  - b. Expiration Date:
    - i.
    - ii.  permanent
- 3. Method of Gas Measurement
  - a.  Orifice Meter
  - b.  Turbine Meter
  - c.  Mass Flow Meter
  - d.  Other Meter: \_\_\_\_\_
  - e.  Estimate [See SWR 27(i)]

**SECTION 5 – FLARE/VENT INFORMATION**  
(Complete **ATTACHMENT 2** for multiple flares and/or vents)

- 1. Flare or Vent Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Release Type (Check one)
  - a.  Flare
  - b.  Vent. *See Instructions.*
- 3. Release Height (above ground surface): \_\_\_\_\_ feet
- 4. Release Location:
  - a. District:
  - b. County: \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Latitude: \_\_\_\_\_ °N  
(decimal degrees preferred)
  - d. Longitude: \_\_\_\_\_ °W
  - e. Datum:
    - i.  NAD 27
    - ii.  NAD 83
    - iii.  WGS 84

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**SECTION 6 – COMPLIANCE WITH SWR 36**

1. Is the flare/vent facility identified in Section 5 subject to SWR 36 (hydrogen sulfide area)?
  - a.  Yes
    - i. Form H-9 Number: \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. H2S Concentration: \_\_\_\_\_ ppm
  - b.  No
2. If the flare/vent facility is subject to SWR 36, what is nearest public area within 1 mile?
  - a. Distance: \_\_\_\_\_ feet or  none
  - b. Type
    - i.  Dwelling or residential area
    - ii.  Public facility such as school or business location
    - iii.  Public road
    - iv.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 7 – RULE-DEFINED NECESSITY FOR RELEASE**

Pursuant to SWR 32(f)(2), the necessity for the release includes the following (check the appropriate box and provide the additional required information as noted in the instructions):

1.  Extended clean-up beyond 10 days [see SWR 32(f)(2)(A)]
2.  Unloading excess formation fluid buildup [see SWR 32(f)(2)(B)]
3.  Low pressure gas with authorized uses constrained by mechanical, physical, or economic impracticability [see SWR 32(f)(2)(C)]. *See Instructions.*
4.  For casinghead gas only, the unavailability of a gas pipeline or marketing facility [see SWR 32(f)(2)(D)]. *See Instructions.*  
Requested form of exception (check one):
  - a.  Administrative approval for 90 days, not to be renewed administratively.
  - b.  Administrative approval for up to a 180-day period, in which flaring/venting is limited to 5 days per month.
  - c.  Administrative approval up to 180 days, if gas volume flared is reduced via application of a flare reduction technology. *See Instructions.*
  - d.  Step-out (drilling in undeveloped areas): a) lack of infrastructure for the quality of gas; or b) 2-1/2 miles radius review for pipeline availability; 90-day renewable administrative extensions available for a maximum of 180 days.
5.  Avoiding curtailment of gas which will result in a reduction of ultimate recovery [see SWR 32(f)(2)(E)]. *See Instructions.*
6. Other (check all that apply). *See Instructions.*
  - a.  Insufficient Gas Gathering Capacity
  - b.  System Upset (Operator)
  - c.  System Upset (Third Party)
  - d.  Scheduled Maintenance
  - e.  Unscheduled Maintenance
  - f.  Other

**SECTION 8 – OPERATOR'S CERTIFICATION**

I declare under the penalties prescribed in Sec. 91.143, Texas Natural Resources Code, that: I am authorized to make this report; that this report was prepared by me or under my supervision and direction; and that the data and facts stated herein are true, correct and complete, to the best of my knowledge.

1. Signature: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Date: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Name of Person (Type or print): \_\_\_\_\_
4. Title: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_
6. The applicant agrees to receive all Railroad Commission of Texas correspondence concerning the administrative review of this application via EMAIL ONLY:
  - a.  Yes, at the following email address: \_\_\_\_\_
  - b.  No