

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONS****PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES**

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TO ALL DEALERS:

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**COMPLIANCE AUDITS ARE ONGOING STATEWIDE IN REFERENCE TO FILLING OUT-
OF- DATE CYLINDERS AND NOT USING SCALES WHEN FILLING CYLINDERS.
BEWARE!!!!!!!!!!**

STATE POLICE –Transportation and Environmental Safety Section - SPECIAL NOTICE!!!

Please notify T.E.S.S., as a courtesy, prior to flaring any L. P. Gas tanks. Their toll free number is 1-877-925-6595. This is a courtesy to State Police for any incoming calls they may receive and good public relations with the public.

TO ALL DEALERS “CONDEMNED INSTALLATIONS” - IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!

Any L. P. Gas or Anhydrous Ammonia installation or system found **“NOT”** in compliance with the Revised Statutes or the Commission’s Rules and Regulations will be **“CONDEMNED”** for further use until compliance is achieved. This will be accomplished by posting a **“CONDEMNED**

INSTALLATION” decal on the installation or system or by publishing it in the monthly AD letter.
SPECIAL NOTICE!!! **SPECIAL NOTICE!!!** **SPECIAL NOTICE!!!**

The L. P. Gas Commission requires proof of insurance in the office on or before the expiration date on the certificate of insurance. If the certificate of insurance is not received on or before the expiration date a citation will be issued. Permit holders must “Cease and Desist” L.P. Gas operations immediately.

****INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS HAVE GONE UP TO \$1,000,000. THE 1,000,000
REQUIREMENT SHALL BE EFFECTIVE ON THE FIRST PROOF OF INSURANCE
REQUIRED AFTER DECEMBER 1, 2003.****

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL NEW APPLICATIONS FOR PERMITS:

NEW APPLICANTS MUST HAVE THE COMPLETE AND CORRECT NAME OF THE BUSINESS ON THE APPLICATION AND THE EXACT SAME NAME ON THE CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE. INCORRECT APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED!

****TRAINING ON HOW TO PROPERLY CONDUCT LEAK CHECKS AS WELL AS ANY OTHER TRAINING THAT MAY BE NEEDED CAN BE DONE BY ANY INSPECTOR. CONTACT THE INSPECTOR FOR YOUR AREA TO HELP WITH ANY TRAINING.****

ATTN: ALL PERMIT HOLDERS

Please be advised that any document submitted to the Commission from all permit holders must contain the EXACT dealer name on their permit that was approved by the Commission.

******REMINDER ****REMINDER******

The L. P. Gas Commission Web Home Page Internet address is www.dps.state.la.us/lpg/home.html.

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission continued its regular meeting Thursday, April 22, 2004 at 7919 Independence Blvd., 1st Floor –Conference Room B, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. James Hopson, with the following members present:

Mr. Kenneth Weber,
Commissioner

Mr. Donald Kiper, Commissioner

Mr. John Montecino,
Commissioner

also present were the Director, Charles Fuller and various dealers.

VIOLATIONS

CW Transport LLC 1998 I-45 South-ATTN: Ryan Egbert, New Waverly, TX 77358 Docket # 40040

1. Did allow truck #388 with trailer #002 to be parked at the T/A Truck Stop, without the use of chock blocks; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58, 6-3.8. Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$500.00

National Rental Co. Ltd. 6873 Johnston St.-ATTN: Clayton Beadle, Lafayette, LA 70503 Docket # 40047

1. Did allow employee, Ranno J. Credeur, to fill an out-of-date DOT LP Gas cylinder; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E) (10). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$300.00.
2. Did allow employee, Ranno J. Credeur, to return a filled cylinder without an effective seal;

thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58, 4-2.2.2. Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$100.00; also revoked all cards of competency for National Rental Co. Ltd. and ordered retesting at no charge for all employees and Mr. Beadle.

90-One Stop 505 East Russell St.-ATTN: Reese Broussard, Welsh, LA 70591 Docket # 40049

1. Did allow employee, Wanda R. Ledoux, to fill an out-of-date DOT LP Gas cylinder ; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E) (10). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$300.00; also revoked the card of competency and ordered retesting for Wanda Ledoux.
2. Did allow employee, Wanda R. Ledoux, to fill a DOT LP Gas cylinder with an expired temporary card of competency; thus violating LAC 55:IX.107 (8) (A). Found not guilty; charge dismissed.

B & B Services 4987 Denice Leblanc Lane-ATTN: Clyde Bourgeois, Barataria, LA 70036 Docket # 40054

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required permit fee; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. Found guilty in abstentia and assessed a penalty of \$250.00; must pay fine before reapplying, also revoked permit.

Blossman Oil Co. Inc. PO Box 89-ATTN: Gary O'Keefe, Covington, LA 70434 Docket # 40056

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required permit fee; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. Postponed until May 2004 meeting.

READDRESS : Crossroads Plmb. A/C Htg. Inc. PO Box 12425-ATTN: Ted Pate, Alexandria, LA 71315 Docket # 40060

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required permit fee; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. Commission accepted guilty plea by waiver and payment of \$150.00 penalty; **READDRESS DISMISSED.**

M.C. Forklift Services Inc. PO Box 3563-ATTN: Donna Bradley, Houma, LA 70361 Docket # 40069

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required permit fee; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. Postponed until May 2004 meeting; ordered to Cease and Desist all LP Gas Operations until renewal paid.

READDRESS : McDaniel Air Cond. & Htg. Inc. 915 N. San Jacinto-ATTN: Michael McDaniel, Cleveland, TX 77327 Docket # 40070

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required permit fee; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. Commission accepted guilty plea by waiver and payment of \$150.00 penalty. READDRESS: original charge dismissed and \$150.00 penalty returned to McDaniel Air Cond. & Htg. Inc.

Zwolle Auto Care Center PO Box 207-ATTN: John Boudreaux, Zwolle, LA 71486 Docket # 40074

1. Did fail to provide a current Certificate of Insurance as required; thus violating LAC 55:IX.107.3. Revoked permit.

Metro Lift Propane Inc. PO Box 2737-ATTN: Dale Burgess, Reserve, LA 70084 Docket # 40075

1. Did allow Bryan V. Preston to fill DOT L.P. Gas cylinders without the use of scales; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E) (8). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$300.00.

Amerigas Propane LP 523 Jake Creel Rd.-ATTN: Bobby Sharp, Dodson, LA 71422 Docket # 40076

1. Did allow Kurt A. Baudoin to fill a DOT L.P. Gas cylinder without a card of competency; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (C) (1). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$300.00.
2. Did allow Kurt A. Baudoin to overfill a DOT L.P. Gas cylinder; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995-4-4.2.1. Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$500.00.
3. Did allow Kurt A. Baudoin to fill a DOT L.P. Gas cylinder without the use of scales; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E) (8). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$300.00.

Sportsman Haven 5035 Airline Hwy.-ATTN: David Mincin, Baton Rouge, LA 70805 Docket # 40077

1. Did fail to pay civil penalties imposed by the Commission within 30 days after the assessment became final; thus violating R.S. 40:1848 (B) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$150.00.

APPLICATIONS

The following application for a Name Change was heard and is hereby granted by the Commission pending completion of Commission requirements:

Williams Energy Marketing & Trading Co.
Change to:

Williams Power Company Inc.

PO Box 3102

Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101

The following application for a Class 2 Permit was heard and is hereby granted by the Commission pending completion of Commission requirements:

Gas Service Corp. 9518 East Christi Helotes, Texas 78023
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The following application for a Class 4 Permit was heard and is hereby granted by the Commission pending completion of Commission requirements:

Bison Ventures, LLC d/b/a Cyclone Cylinder Exchange 30313 FM 529 Brookshire, Texas 77423

The following applications for a Class 6 Permit were heard and are hereby granted by the Commission pending completion of Commission requirements:

Fontaine Lumber Co., Inc. 2600 Hospital Road New Roads, LA 70760	Everything RV 84612 Hwy. 21 Sun, LA 70463
L.M. Daigle Company Inc. P.O. Box 1700 DeQuincy, LA 70633	Guillory's Meat Market Inc. 307 East Lincoln Rd. Ville Platte, LA 70586
Stelly's Grocery 22240 S. Hwy. 82 Abbeville, LA 70510	

The following applications for a Class 6X Permit were heard and are hereby ratified by the Commission:

Minnie's Quick Stop Inc. 2000 Florida Street Mandeville, LA 70448	Ardoins Basin Seafood 19065 W. Hwy. 190 Port Barre, LA 70577
Spotted Dog Sporting Goods	

6441 Hwy. 165	
Columbia, LA 71418	

APRIL, 2004

FIRES AND ACCIDENTS

RELATED:

FIRE: O'Nealgas Inc., Choudrant, reported a fire destroyed the residence of Jessie Faye Lewis, Dubach, LA. Fire caused by unattended space heater. There was loss of product and no injuries reported.

UNRELATED:

FIRE: Sabine Butane Gas Co., Many, reported a fire destroyed the residence of Marion & Betty Drew, Negreet, LA. The cause of the fire is believed to be electrical. No loss of product or injuries reported.

FIRE: Cypress Propane, Mamou, reported a fire destroyed the residence of Larry Bergeron, Opelousas, LA. The cause of fire is unknown at this time. No loss of product or injuries reported.

FIRE: LacoX Propane Gas Co., Hammond, reported a fire destroyed the outside sheds and junk automobile of Jon Pendarvis, Prairieville, LA. The cause of the fire is believed to be electrical. No loss of product or injuries reported.

FIRE: LacoX Propane Gas Co., Franklinton, reported a fire destroyed the residence of Edward Marshall, Mandeville, LA. The cause of fire is unknown at this time. No loss of product or injuries reported.

FIRE: Scott Petroleum, Lake Providence, reported a fire destroyed the residence of George Griffin, Lake Providence, LA. The cause of fire is believed to be from arson. No loss of product or injuries reported.

FIRE: LacoX Propane Gas Co., Hammond, reported a fire destroyed the residence of Emma Williams, Independence, LA. The cause of fire is believed to be electrical. No loss of product or injuries reported.

INCIDENT: Tanner Industries reported an **at-fault** incident in which a solenoid valve failed and a backpressure regulator did not bleed off the pressure, causing the safety valve to lift. One person went to hospital and was released.

INCIDENT: Head of Island Groc. reported an **at-fault** incident in which an employee noticed an iceball @ hose clamp on bottle. While fire dept. was investigating, a 3/8 cap came off. Approx. 20 gallons of propane in the form of vapor was released.

APRIL, 2004

CONDEMNED/UNCONDEMNED SYSTEMS

Inspector Chad Ledet condemned one LP Gas tank and one Anhydrous Ammonia tank described as follows:

1. 30,000 gal., Manufacturer unknown, AA tank located at Gravois Farms Inc., Hwy. 44 Welham St. Paulina, LA, Serial #3356. Temp. condemned due to no safety equipment and an outdated hose. Tank located behind the water treatment plant.
2. Size unknown, Manufacturer unknown, LP Gas tank owned by Amerigas-Empire Bulk Plant, located at 32381 Old Hwy. 23, Empire, LA. Serial # unknown. Temp. condemned; Corrosion suspected to be beyond tolerance. Tank is identified as the tank closest to the hwy.

Charles DeDon, Branch Manager of Herring Gas Co., Inc., reported theft of a 120 gallon propane tank bearing serial #A47891, Manufactured in 1985. Tank was moved by Kaye Hughes, 12152 Old Baton Rouge Hwy., Hammond, LA without permission. Tank has not been located.

Inspector John Nicholas **uncondemned** the following Anhydrous Ammonia tank:

1. 1000 gal., Master, AA tank located at 115 Mill St., Natchitoches, LA City of Natchitoches Water Treatment Plant, Serial #0084318. All corrections have been made to this installation.

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission will meet at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 20, 2004 at 7919 Independence Blvd., 1st Floor, Conference Room B, Baton Rouge, LA 70806. The meeting is for routine business transpiring during the month and will be continued at 8:30 a.m., Thursday, May 21, 2004 at 7919 Independence Blvd., 1st Floor, Conference Room B, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. At the Thursday morning meeting violators will be dealt with and applications will be considered.

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APPLICATIONS

The following applicants have applied for a Class 4 Permit:

<p>El Paso Gas Liquids Marketing, LLC 4 Greenway Plaza Room 466 Houston, TX 77046</p>
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The following applicants have applied for a Class 6 Permit:

National Liquidators Warehouse #56 PO Box 557 Bernice, LA 71222	Big Mama's Mini Mart PO Box 403 Dupont, LA 71329
Ortego's Food Store 1075 Chicot State Park Rd. Ville Platte, LA 70586	Gin Parts & Services 4534 Hwy. 80 West Rayville, LA 71269

The following applicants have applied for a Class 6X Permit and are to be ratified by the Commission:

Persick Food Center Inc. 62910 Bellview Rd. Plaquemine, LA 70764	J of Whites Ferry LLC d/b/a Jower's Grocery 4108 Whites Ferry Rd. West Monroe, LA 71291
Diamond Shamrock 2302 Ambassador Caffery Lafayette, LA 70506	Petro Hill 309 S. Cities Service Blvd. Sulphur, LA 70663

The following applicant has applied for a Class 7E Permit and is to be ratified by the Commission:

<p>Ryder Integrated Logistics, Inc. 3600 N.W. 82nd Ave. Miami, FL 33166</p>
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The following applicant has applied for a Class 7 Permit:

<p>Ryder Integrated Logistics, Inc. 3600 N.W. 82nd Ave. Miami, FL 33166</p>
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The following applicant has applied for a Class 8 Permit:

Nordan Smith 1924 Byron St. Hattiesburg, MS 39402

SPECIAL NOTICE: IT IS REQUIRED THAT ALL NEW CLASS 6 APPLICANTS ATTEND THE SAFETY MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE THURSDAY MORNING COMMISSION HEARING.

NOTICE: ALL APPLICANTS, WHETHER FOR NEW PERMITS OR CHANGE OF NAME, MUST HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE (OWNER, MANAGER OR OFFICER) AT THE MEETING ON THURSDAY, MAY 20, 2004 AT 7919 INDEPENDENCE BLVD. 1ST FLOOR-CONFERENCE ROOM B, BATON ROUGE, LA. THE ONLY EXCEPTIONS ARE CLASS 6-X AND ANHYDROUS AMMONIA WHO PRESENTLY HOLD A PERMIT WITH THIS COMMISSION.

BY ORDER OF THE LIQUEFIED

PETROLEUM GAS COMMISSION

CHARLES M. FULLER

DIRECTOR