

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONS

PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

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**TO ALL DEALERS:** 

# WARNING!!!! WARNING!!!! WARNING!!!!

<u>COMPLIANCE AUDITS ARE ONGOING STATEWIDE IN REFERENCE TO FILLING OUT-OF-DATE CYLINDERS, NOT USING SCALES WHEN FILLING CYLINDERS AND OTHER COMMISSION RULES AND REGULATIONS.</u>

<u>STATE POLICE – Transportation and Environmental Safety Section – SPECIAL NOTICE!!!</u> Please notify T.E.S.S., as a courtesy, prior to flaring any L. P. Gas tanks. Toll free number is 1-877-925-6595.

# 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!!!

The L. P. Gas Commission requires proof of insurance <u>on a Commission proprietary certificate of insurance form as of November 1, 2005</u>. This proprietary certificate of insurance will be provided via facsimile or via mail upon request or can be downloaded from our website at <u>www.dps.state.la.us/lpg/home.html</u>. Insurance requirements are \$1,000,000 in each class of insurance required by Commission rules.

# **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

SEVERAL NEW RULES AND SOME AMENDED RULES ARE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007. Please refer to our web site for these new rules and amended rules.

AS A REMINDER TO ALL NEW APPLICANTS AND SUPPLIERS, Application requests shall be ADMINSTRATIVELY GRANTED by the office of the Director upon completion of ALL Commission requirements as set forth in the Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 55, and the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. Requirements vary by permit class but include submission of a formal application, permit fee, filing fee, certificate of insurance on

approved proprietary form, and may include employee certification, sketch of installations, and/or inspections of transport vehicles. Under the authority of the Director, the applicant may engage in the specified L.P. Gas business immediately as a licensed permit holder with the Commission. The application process is finalized by the Commission ratifying the permit at their first subsequent meeting after the applicant has completed all necessary requirements.

# TRAINING AVAILABLE

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

# \*\*\*\*<u>REMINDER</u>\*\*\*\*

The L. P. Gas Commission Web Home Page Internet address is <a href="www.dps.state.la.us/lpg/home.html">www.dps.state.la.us/lpg/home.html</a> .

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission continued its regular meeting on Thursday, December 18, 2008, at 7919 Independence Blvd., Conference Room B, Baton Rouge, LA. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. James Hopson, with the following members present:

Mr. Greg Morrison, Commissioner Mr. Henry D. Smith, Commissioner Mrs. Carol Ann Cleveland, Commissioner

# **VIOLATIONS**

Gootee Construction Co Inc, PO Box 55128 – ATTN: Eric Alphonso, Metairie, LA 70055-5128 Docket # 80034

**1.** Did fail to provide a current certificate of insurance as required; thus violating R.S. 40:1847 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. <u>Commission accepted guilty plea by waiver and payment of \$225.00 penalty.</u>

Rende's Quick Stop, 14012 Hwy 44 – ATTN: Barbara Stermer, Gonzales, LA 70737 Docket # 80035

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required (Class 6X) 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.

VFW Landing Park, 747 VFW Rd – ATTN: Tommy Davis, Leesville, LA 71446 Docket # 80036

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required (Class 6X) 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.

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#### **APPLICATIONS**

The following applicants for a Permit were postponed until January:

PO Box 9021 – ATTN: Rodney Babineaux	Southern Propane Inc. (Class 2) 901 Strang – ATTN: Bryan Willingham LaPorte, TX 77571
14 Plantation Lane – ATTN: Kim Guillory	Praxair Distribution Inc. (Class 7) 5229 River Rd. – ATTN: Keith Wentworth Jefferson, LA 70123

The following applicant for a Name Change was postponed until January:

J & W Testing Co (Class 2)

Change To:

J & W Testing LLC

PO Box 354 – ATTN: Charles Watkins

Yale, OK 74085

The following applicant for a Name Change was heard and is hereby ratified by the Commission:

New Orleans East KOA (Class 6)

Change To:

New Orleans East Kampground

1000 McDonald Ave – ATTN: James Harrison

Santa Rosa, CA 95404

The following applicant for a Class 5 Permit, was amended to a Class 6 Permit, heard, and is hereby ratified by the Commission:

Country Store

230 Ed Carrol Rd. – ATTN: Katie Cooper

Hessmer, LA 71341

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

4323 Monroe Hwy – ATTN: Charles Couvillion	The Rental Company Of Cenla LLC 820 Dallas Dr. – ATTN: Shane Brodnax Alexandria, LA 71302
2100 West Fanz Rd – ATTN: Charles Fanz	Red River South Marina LLC Hwy 71 S 250 Red River S Marina Rd–ATTN:Horton Bossier City, LA 71112

The following applicants for a Class 6 Permit were administratively granted but requested the application not be ratified; Commission accepted the request and revoked permit:

Triple L Propane 1791 B Grand Prairie Rd – ATTN: Leslie Lott	Wolfe Lumber & Supply Inc. 1150 HWY 51 – ATTN: Nancy Jones
Washington, LA 71052	Ponchatoula, LA 70454

# The following applicant for a Class R1 Permit was heard and is hereby ratified by the Commission:

Frasier Plumbing

838 Billy Cy Road – ATTN: Gordon Frasier

Grayson, LA 71435

The following applicants not having met the requirements for a Permit with the Commission were withdrawn and are hereby required to reapply:

Pelican Plumbing & Piping Inc. (Class R1)	Billy Thibodeaux's Premiere RV Inc. (Class R2)
493 Fontenot Lane	1721 Renaud Dr.
Lake Charles, LA 70607	Scott, LA 70583
(Received October 2007 – No Cards)	(Received March 2008 – No Cards)

The following applicant for a Class 6 Permit that was set to be dismissed has now met the requirements of the Commission but must appear for final ratification, therefore, it is postponed until January:

Kissner Co. 10000 US 190 West Port Allen, LA 70767

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# DECEMBER 2008 FIRES AND ACCIDENTS

#### **RELATED:**

THERE WERE NO RELATED FIRES TO REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2008.

#### **UNRELATED:**

FIRE: Lacox Propane Gas Co, Hammond, reported a fire destroyed the residence of Robert Montanaro, Prairieville, LA. Cause of fire was electrical. No injuries or product loss reported.

FIRE: Southern LP-Gas Inc., Natchitoches, reported a fire destroyed the residence of Lisa Hall, Natchitoches, LA. Cause of fire unknown. No injuries or product loss reported.

FIRE: Scott Petroleum Corp., Oak Grove, reported a fire destroyed the residence of Phillip Hankins, Lake Providence, LA. Cause of fire unknown. No injuries or product loss reported.

FIRE: Onealgas, Inc., Choudrant, reported a fire destroyed the residence of Tanya McNeal, Ruston, LA. Fire initiated from holiday lights. No injuries or product loss reported.

FIRE: Herring Gas Co. Inc. of LA, Meadville, MS, reported a fire destroyed the residence of Sheree Randolf, Newelton, LA. Lightning was source of fire. No injuries or product loss reported.

FIRE: Herring Gas Co. Inc. of LA, Ferriday, reported a fire destroyed the residence of John Ellard, Sr., Jonesville, LA. Fireplace ignited the roof line. No injuries or product loss reported.

FIRE: Herring Gas Co. Inc. of LA, Jena, reported a fire destroyed the residence of Ricky Pearson, Trout, LA. Fire originated in attic per fire report. No injuries or product loss reported.

INCIDENT: Amerigas Propane LP., Jefferson, reported a not-at-fault incident which occurred at Walmart, Kenner, LA. A buffer machine caught fire and was doused with an extinguisher. An Amerigas technician completed an inspection and found no problems. No injuries or product loss reported.

#### **CONDEMNED/UNCONDEMNED SYSTEMS**

THERE WERE NO COMDEMNED/UNCONDEMNED SYSTEMS TO REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2008.

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The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission will meet at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 28, 2009, at 7919 Independence Blvd, Conference Room B, Baton Rouge, LA. The meeting is for routine business transpiring during the month and will be continued at 8:30 a.m., Thursday, January 29, 2009, at 7919 Independence Blvd, Conference Room B, Baton Rouge, LA. Thursday morning, violations will be heard and applications for permits will be considered.

**VIOLATIONS** 

<u>Dodge City Farm Supply Inc, 101 Hatchell Lane-ATTN: Jimmy Smith, Denham Springs, LA 70726 Docket #</u> 90001

- 1. Did allow Donald Guy to fill a DOT cylinder without a card of competency; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (C)(1) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.
- **2.** Did allow Donald Guy to fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (12-89, Serial # C7830443); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).
- **3.** Did allow Donald Guy to fill a DOT cylinder, (serial #C7830443), without the use of scales; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(8).

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# **APPLICATIONS**

The following applicants have applied for a Name Change and are to be ratified by the Commission:

J & W Testing Co (Class 2)	Sportsman One Stop (Class6)
Change To:	Change To:
PO Box 354 – ATTN: Charles Watkins	Sportsman's One Stop, Inc. 14506 Scenic Hwy – ATTN: Raymond Fuller Baton, Rouge, LA 70806

The following applicant has applied for a Class 2 Permit, was administratively granted and is to be ratified by the Commission:

Babineaux Plumbing, Inc.	Southern Propane Inc.
PO Box 9021 – ATTN: Rodney Babineaux	901 Strang – ATTN: Bryan Willingham
New Iberia, LA 70562-9021	LaPorte, TX 77571

The following applicants have applied for a Class 6 Permit, were administratively granted and are to be ratified by the Commission:

14 Plantation Lane – ATTN: Kim Guillory	Kissner Co. 10000 US 190 West Port Allen, LA 70767
PO Box 92 – ATTN: John McGrew	Couvillion's Ace Hardware LLC 4323 Monroe Hwy – ATTN : Chuck Couvillion Ball, LA 71405

The following applicant has applied for a Class 7 Permit, was administratively granted and is to be ratified by the Commission:

Praxair Distribution Inc.
5229 River Rd. – ATTN: Keith Wentworth
Jefferson, LA 70123

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

Secc Limited 1001 N Main St Loreauville, LA 70552

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

NOTICE: ALL APPLICANTS FOR NEW PERMITS MUST HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE (OWNER, MANAGER OR OFFICER) AT THE MEETING ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2009, AT 7919
INDEPENDENCE BLVD., CONFERENCE ROOM B, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA. THE ONLY EXCEPTIONS ARE CLASS 6-X, R-1 & R-2 REGISTRATIONS, 7-E & A4-E EMERGENCY PERMITS AND NAME CHANGES FOR SUCH.

BY ORDER OF THE LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS COMMISSION CHARLES M. FULLER, DIRECTOR