LPG - Dealer Letters



## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONS

PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

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AD # 1534

#### TO ALL DEALERS:

# SCHOOL BUS/MASS TRANSIT VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS AND INSPECTIONS (propelled by LPG)

All school buses/mass transit vehicles propelled by LPG must be registered and a safety inspection performed by an LPGC inspector prior to August 1, 2000. The rules governing these vehicles will be strictly enforced. <u>SUBSTANTIAL PENALTIES MAY BE ASSESSED FOR NON-COMPLIANCE</u>. <u>OUESTIONS OR CONCERNS CONTACT LPGC OFFICE OR AN LPGC INSPECTOR</u>.

#### ATTN: ALL PERMIT HOLDERS

Please be advised that <u>any document</u> (sketch, insurance, letter, fire and accident report etc.) submitted to the Commission from <u>all permit holders</u> must contain the <u>EXACT</u> dealer name that was approved by the Commission.

#### ATTN: ALL PERMIT HOLDERS

Please be advised that as of July 7, 2000, Mr. Harold Grayson, L. P. Gas Inspector, retired from the Commission, therefore, a new Inspector will be hired to assume the duties for his area.

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

# The Commission has a Web Home Page. The address is <a href="https://www.dps.state.la.us/lpg/home.html">www.dps.state.la.us/lpg/home.html</a>.

The home page is currently under construction to better serve your needs and to make it more user friendly. Most of the information can be downloaded, however, all information is not current. When construction is completed, all information will be current. The site will contain such things as: LA Revised Statutes, LA Rules and Regulations, Application and Change of Name Forms, Dealer Sketch Form, Installation Report Form (for domestic, public assembly, bulk and recreational vehicles), Fire Report Form, Accident Report Form, Monthly Sales and Purchases Form(both for Class 1 and Class 4), Transport/Delivery Truck Waive of Inspection Form, Reciprocal Examination and Reciprocal Inspection Forms, AD Letters(current as well as archived AD letters), Notices of Intents (on rule changes), Final Rule Promulgations (on rule changes), Commission Meeting Notices, others may be added.

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The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission continued its regular meeting Thursday, July 27, 2000 at 1723 Dallas Dr., Suite A, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order by the Vice-Chairman with the following members present:

Mr. David Doss, Vice-Chairman

Mr. Kenneth Weber, Commissioner

Mr. Donald Kiper, Commissioner

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

#### **VIOLATIONS**

### Amerigas Propane L. P., 523 Jake Creel Rd-ATTN:B. Sharp, Dodson, LA 71422, Docket #000038

1. Did allow employee, Katherine A. Leone, to fill an out-of-date DOT L. P. Gas cylinder without being requalified; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181(E)(10). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$1000.00 which was suspended provided they provide training for all of their Class 6 dealers with pamphlets or videos and submit documentation of disbursement to the Commission within 90 days.

### BMS Inc., 4344 S. Main-ATTN: Edwin Woods, Pearland, TX 77581-6043, Docket #000045

- 1. Did allow trailer #SFM659L, serial #440408, to operate over the highways of the State of Louisiana without the current registration decal affixed as required; thus violating LAC 55:IX.166 (A). <u>Case dismissed.</u>
- 2. Did allow trailer #SFM659L, serial #440408, to operate over the highways of the State of Louisiana without the vapor outlet properly labeled as required; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58 1995 6-3.6. <u>Case dismissed.</u>
- 3. Did allow trailer #SFM659L, serial #440408, to park in Hammond, LA without the use of chock blocks as required; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58 1995 6-3.8.

Case dismissed.

## Martin Gas Sales Inc., P. O. Drawer 191-ATTN: Sherry Reeher, Kilgore, TX 75662, Docket #000046

- 1. Did allow trailer #SFM659L, serial #440408, to operate over the highways of the State of Louisiana without the current registration decal affixed as required; thus violating LAC 55:IX.166 (A). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$400.00.
- 2. Did allow trailer #SFM659L, serial #440408, to operate over the highways of the State of Louisiana without the vapor outlet properly labeled as required; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58 1995 6-3.6. Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$1,000.00.
- 3. Did allow trailer #SFM659L, serial #440408, to park in Hammond, LA without the use of chock blocks as required; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58 1995 6-3.8. Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$500.00

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### Heritage Propane, 7162 Phillips Hwy-ATTN: Mark Darr, Jacksonville, FL 32256, Docket #000047

- 1. Did engage in the L. P. Gas business without obtaining the required permit; thus violating R. S. 40:1847 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. <u>Postponed until the August meeting.</u>
- 2. Did allow truck #T-9947 to operate over the highways of the State of Louisiana without the required registration decal; thus violating R. S. 40:1849 (B) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. <u>Postponed until the August meeting.</u>
- 3. Did allow truck #T-9947 to operate over the highways of the State of Louisiana without obtaining the required safety inspection; thus violating LAC 55:IX.166 (B). <u>Postponed until the August meeting.</u>
  4. Did allow employee, Jerry A. Bertrand, Jr., to operate truck #T-9947 over the highways of the State of Louisiana without the required card of competency; thus violating R. S. 40:1849 (C)(1) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. <u>Postponed until the August meeting.</u>

### Mr. Chad Frederick, 1817 Bud Pvt. Drive, Abbeville, LA 70510, Docket #000048

1. Did engage in the L. P. Gas business without obtaining the required permit; thus violating R. S. 40:1847 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. <u>Postponed until the August meeting.</u>

### Flashlube, 628 Smith St.-ATTN: Chris Smith, West Monroe, LA 71292, Docket #000049

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. Case dismissed.

## <u>Livingston Conoco, P. O. Box 844-ATTN:Curtis Mizell, Livingston, LA 70754, Docket #000050</u>

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 and assessed a penalty of \$500.00 and ordered to "Cease and Desist" immediately all L. P. Gas operations until they meet all requirements of the Commission.

# Randy's Travel Town (Class 2), 7288 Greenwood Rd.-ATTN: R. Brazzel, Shreveport, LA 71119, Docket #000051

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 and assessed a penalty of \$300.00 suspended \$150.00 provided there are no other violations within twelve (12) months and ordered to remain after the meeting to watch a safety film.

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Randy's Travel Town (Class 6), 7288 Greenwood Rd.-ATTN: R. Brazzel, Shreveport, LA 71119, Docket #000052

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.

<u>Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$300.00 suspended \$150.00 provided there are no other violations within twelve (12) months and ordered to remain after the meeting to watch a safety film.</u>

# Stahl Feed & Hardware, 206 W 4<sup>th</sup> St.-ATTN:Richard Stahl, DeQuincy, LA 70633, Docket #000053

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 absentia and assessed a penalty of \$300.00.

# Turk's Air Cond. & Heating Inc., P. O. Box 24-ATTN:Connie Turk, French Settlement, LA 70733, Docket #000054

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 and assessed a penalty of \$300.00 suspended \$150.00 provided there are no other violations within twelve (12) months and ordered to remain after the meeting to watch a safety film.

# <u>United Rentals Inc., 112 West Airline Hwy.-ATTN:John Skipmore, Kenner, LA 70062, Docket</u> #000055

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 and assessed a penalty of \$300.00 suspended \$150.00 provided there are no other violations within twelve (12) months and ordered to remain after the meeting to watch a safety film.

## Zachary Seafood, 9415 Main St.-ATTN: Steve Brekeen, Zachary, LA 70791, Docket #000056

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 and assessed a penalty of \$300.00 suspended \$150.00 provided there are no other violations within twelve (12) months and ordered to remain after the meeting to watch a safety film.

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#### **APPLICATIONS**

The following applications for major name changes were heard and are hereby granted by the Commission pending completion of Commission requirements:

Initial DSI Transports, Inc.(Cl.7) Tommy's 66 Service(Cl.6)

Name change to: Name change to:

DSI Transports Inc. Star Propane & Inspection 15600 JF Kennedy Blvd-Ste 600 112 Sibley Rd. Houston, TX 77032 Minden, LA 71055

The following applicant was administratively granted a minor name change and was ratified by the Commission:

Ike's A/C & Heat Inc.(Cl.3) 143 Brown Lane Leesville, LA 71446

The following applicants were administratively granted multiple locations and were ratified by the Commission:

Brittny Seafood #2 Inc. NexAir LLC-Pineville 14860 Plank Rd. 725 Melrose St. Baker, LA 70714 Pineville, LA 71360

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

Hope's Camper Corner 6120 Frontage Rd. Monroe, LA 71202

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

Catch 22 New Orleans East KOA 45434 LA Hwy. 22 56009 Hwy 433 St. Amant, LA 70774 Slidell, LA 70461

Dixieland K-9 Pet Food Oak Grove Tiger Stop 31580 N Corbin Rd. P. O. Box 1322 Walker, LA 70785 Oak Grove, LA 71263

Hope's Camper Corner Three Way One Stop 6120 Frontage Rd. P. O. Box 576 Monroe, LA 71202 Springfield, LA 70462

Madisonville Hardware & Lumber LLC P. O. Box 98 Madisonville, LA 70447

The following applications for Class 6X permits were heard and are hereby ratified by the

Commission pending completion of Commission requirements:

Acadiana Oak Larose Truck Plaza 515 W MLK Dr. P. O. Box 99 Opelousas, LA 70570 Larose, LA 70373

Boyce Superette Leebo's Stores Inc. 605 Pacific Ave. 201 Johnston St.-Ste 601 Boyce, LA 71409 Alexandria, LA 71301

Fuzzie's 4301 Hwy 112 Forest Hill, LA 71430

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### FIRES AND ACCIDENTS

No related fires to report.

Several dealers reported unrelated fires. The fires destroyed a home, a dairy barn, a mobile home and damaged two mobile homes, and two homes. The fires were caused by lightning, electrical problems, a customer broke the valve off of a cylinder causing a leak which ignited a pilot light on a water heater and others were unknown. There was no loss of product and no injuries were reported and unknown at some of the fires..

Several dealers reported two accidents with their vehicles as one driver rolled over his vehicle, one dealer's vehicle was struck by another vehicle as they crossed the median on the interstate. There was no loss of product and injuries were reported.

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The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission will meet at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 30, 2000 at 1723 Dallas Drive, Suite A, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting is for routine business transpiring during the month and will be continued at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, August 31, 2000 at 1723 Dallas Drive, Suite A, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. At the Thursday morning meeting violators will be dealt with and applications will be considered.

#### **VIOLATIONS**

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- 2. Did allow truck #T-9947 to operate over the highways of the State of Louisiana without the required registration decal; thus violating R. S. 40:1849 (B) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.
- 3. Did allow truck #T-9947 to operate over the highways of the State of Louisiana without obtaining the required safety inspection; thus violating LAC 55:IX.166 (B).
- 4. Did allow employee, Jerry A. Bertrand, Jr., to operate truck #T-9947 over the highways of the State of Louisiana without the required card of competency; thus violating R. S. 40:1849 (C)(1) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

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### <u>Livingston Conoco, P. O. Box 844-ATTN:Curtis Mizell, Livingston, LA 70754, Docket #000050</u>

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.

### Ferrellgas, Inc., 3876 Industrial Circle-ATTN: Al Lanius, Bossier City, LA 71112, Docket #000057

- 1. Did allow DOT L. P. Gas cylinder #A2812535 to be placed into commerce and transportation at Central Oil and Supply Corp. without being requalified; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181(E)(10), NFPA 58-1995, Appendix C, C-3.2.
- 2. Did allow DOT L. P. Gas cylinder #A2812535 to be placed into commerce and transportation at Central Oil and Supply Corp. without an effective seal on the valve outlet; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181(A), NFPA 58-1995, 5-2.2.
- 3. Did allow a refilled out-of-date DOT L. P. Gas cylinder #A2158002 to be placed in commerce and transportation at Central Oil and Supply Corp.; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181(E)(10).

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### Amerigas Propane L. P., 523 Jake Creel Road, Dodson, LA 71422, Docket #000058

1. Did allow a refilled DOT L. P. Gas cylinder #3189384R to be placed into commerce and transportation at Chalmette Hardware Home Center; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181(E)(10).

# Parker Supermarket, 20009 Walker South-ATTN:Percy Parker Jr., Denham Springs, LA 70026, Docket #000059

- 1. Did allow employee, Brett L. Thomassie, to fill an out-of-date DOT L. P. Gas cylinder without being requalified; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181(E)(10).
- 2. Did allow employee, Brett L. Thomassie, to fill a cylinder with L. P. Gas without the required card of competency; thus violating R. S. 40:1849 (C)(1) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.
- 3. Did allow employee, Brett L. Thomassie, to overfill a 20 lb. DOT L. P. Gas cylinder; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181(A), NFPA 58-1995, 4-4.2.1.

# <u>Aeropres Propane L. P., 1324 N. Hearne-Ste 200-ATTN: Ron Horne, Shreveport, LA 71107, Docket</u> #000060

1. Did allow employee, Kenneth Newkirk, to fill an out-of-date DOT L. P. Gas cylinder without being requalified; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181(E)(10).

# Melvin's Small Engine Repair, 31318 LA Hwy 16 North, Denham Springs, LA 70726, Docket #000061

1. Did allow employee, Martin A. MacArthur, to fill an out-of-date DOT L. P. Gas cylinder without being requalified; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181(E)(10).

United Rentals Inc., 10385 Airline Hwy.-ATTN:S Courtade, St. Rose, LA 70087, Docket #000062

1. Did allow employee, Larry Goins, to fill an out-of-date DOT L. P. Gas cylinder without being requalified; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181(E)(10).

U-Pak-It 165 South, 2005 Hwy 165 Bypass-ATTN:R. Claunch, Monroe, LA 71202, Docket #000063

1. Did allow employee, Judy A. Claunch, to fill an out-of-date DOT L. P. Gas cylinder without being requalified; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181(E)(10).

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#### **APPLICATIONS**

The following applicant has applied for a major name change:

Aerinex dba Gas & Equipment(Cl.6) Aerinex dba Gas & Equipment(Cl.9)

Name change to: Name change to:

Aerinex dba Gas & Equipment(Cl.8) Kroger Limited Partnership I(Cl.6X)

Name change to: Name change to:

Aeriform Corp. dba Gas & Equipment Kroger Texas L. P. 2037 Coteau Rd. P. O. Box 1309 Houma, LA 70364 Houston, TX 77251-1309

The following applicant was administratively granted a minor name change pending ratification by the Commission:

Clark's Plumbing Inc(Cl.R1) Louie's Hardware(Cl.6) 20129 Chandler Drive 8935 Jefferson Hwy. Covington, LA 70435 River Ridge, LA 70123

Jason St. Pierre Plumbing LLC(Cl.R1) Zachary Seafood Inc.(Cl.6) P. O. Box 141 9415 Main St.-Suite A Talisheek, LA 70464 Zachary, LA 70791

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# The following applicants were administratively granted permits for multiple locations pending ratification by the Commission:

Airgas-Gulf States-Baton Rouge(Cl.8) Air Liquide Amerca Corp-Alex(Cl.8)

Airgas-Gulf States-Chalmette(Cl.6) Air Liquide Amerca Corp-BR(Cl. 8)

Airgas-Gulf States-Chalmette(Cl.8) Air Liquide Amerca Corp-Harvey(Cl.8)

Airgas-Gulf States-Covington(Cl.8) Air Liquide Amerca Corp-Houma(Cl.8)

Airgas-Gulf States-Galliano(Cl.6) Air Liquide Amerca Corp-Laf(Cl.8)

Airgas-Gulf States-Galliano(Cl.8) Air Liquide Amerca Corp-MorgCy(Cl.8)

Airgas-Gulf States-Houma(Cl.6) Air Liquide Amerca Corp-Sport(Cl.8)

Airgas-Gulf States-Houma(Cl.8) Air Liquide Amerca Corp-Westlk(Cl.8)

Airgas-Gulf States-Marrero(Cl.8)

Airgas-Gulf States-Morgan City(Cl.6) Each new permit above has the same addrss:

Airgas-Gulf States-Morgan City(Cl.8) P. O Box 460229-ATTN: Legal

Airgas-Gulf States-New Iberia(Cl.6) Houston, TX 77056

Airgas-Gulf States-New Iberia(Cl.8)

Airgas-Gulf States-Slidell(Cl.8)

Airgas-Gulf States-St. Rose(Cl.8) Parks Ace Home Center

Airgas-Gulf States-Sulphur(Cl.8) 64167 Hwy 41

Pearl River, LA 70452

Each new permit above has the same address:

P. O. Box 190969-ATTN: Wooldridge

Mobile, AL 36619

### The following applicants have applied for Class 6 permits:

Al's Shrimp Co. #1 LLC Country Corner Auto Center 840 Vice Road 79056 Hwy 40 Houma, LA 70363 Covington, LA 70435

Time Clock Food Store #3 R & R Motor Sports 4400 Lafitte Hwy. 2810 Shreveport Hwy. Marrero, LA 70072 Pineville, LA 71360

The following applicant applied for a Class 6 permit, however, they did not meet the requirements of the Commission, therefore, request to dismiss:

Tranquility Lakes Campground LLC 431 Tranquility Lakes Drive Denham Springs, LA 70706

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The following applicants were administratively granted Class 6X permits pending ratification by the Commission:

Martinez Seafood 13277 Hwy 431 St. Amant, LA 70774

The following applicant has applied for a Class A1 permit:

Safeway Transportation Inc. 634 Highway 190 West Port Allen, LA 70767

The following applicants were administratively granted Registrations pending ratification by the Commission:

Advanced Mechanical Inc.(Cl.R2) Bernhard Mechanical Contrs Inc.(R2) P. O. Box 870368 P. O. Box 62690 New Orleans, LA 70187-0368 Lafayette, LA 70596

Bernhard Mechanical Contrs Inc.(Cl.R1) P. O. Box 62690 Lafayette, LA 70596

The following applicant was administratively granted a Class 7E permit pending ratification by the Commission (permit expires 10-10-00):

Georgia Tank Lines LLC 4143 Winters Chapel Road Doraville, GA 30360

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

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NOTICE: ALL APPLICANTS WHETHER FOR NEW PERMITS OR CHANGE OF NAME MUST HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE (OWNER, MANAGER OR OFFICER) AT THE MEETING ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 2000 AT 1723 DALLAS DRIVE, SUITE A, BATON ROUGE, LA. THE ONLY EXCEPTIONS ARE CLASS 6-X AND ANHYDROUS AMMONIA WHO PRESENTLY HOLD A PERMIT WITH THIS COMMISSION.

BY ORDER OF LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS COMMISSION

CHARLES M. FULLER DIRECTOR