

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONS

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES**

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AD # 1621

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COMPLIANCE AUDITS ARE ONGOING STATEWIDE IN REFERENCE TO FILLING OUT-OF-DATE CYLINDERS, NOT USING SCALES WHEN FILLING CYLINDERS AND OTHER COMMISSION RULES AND REGULATIONS.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!! 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 <a href="https://www.dps.state.la.us/lpg/home.html">www.dps.state.la.us/lpg/home.html</a>. 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>\*\*\*\*<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, September 20, 2007, 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:

Mrs. Rhonda Watson, Vice-Chairman Mr. Greg Morrison, Commissioner

## **VIOLATIONS**

Marksville Lil Quickie, 806 N. Preston St – ATTN: Hesham Magid, Marksville, LA 71351 Docket # 70064

1. Did allow Mazen A. Abdelqader 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. <u>Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$150.00</u>; <u>Suspend \$75.00 provided there are no further violations for one year.</u>

B & B Grocery, P O Box 147 – ATTN: Jeffery Brouillette, Centerpoint, LA 71323 Docket # 70070

1. Did move a filled DOT cylinder cage without an approved sketch; thus violating LAC 55:IX.159 (2)(f). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$150.00; Penalty suspended provided there are no further violations for one year.

Amerigas Propane L. P., 523 Jake Creel Rd – ATTN: Bobby Sharp, Dodson, LA 71422 Docket # 70071

- 1. Did place filled DOT cylinders in a cage for sale (B&B Grocery) without an approved sketch; thus violating LAC 55:IX.159 (2)(f). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$150.00
- 2. Did place filled DOT cylinders in a cage for sale (B&B Grocery) without proper crash protection; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(13)(a b), NFPA 58-1995-5-2. Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$150.00

### Good Time RV Repair LLC, 17884 Lake Charles Hwy-ATTN:Y Bradley, Leesville, LA 71446 Docket # 70072

- 1. Did engage in the L.P. Gas business without the required (Class 2) permit; thus violating R. S. 40:1847 (A) (1) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. <u>Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$150.00</u>
- 2. Did fail to submit an installation report and inspection and testing of the L.P. gas system upon delivery of a new travel trailer as required; thus violating LAC 55:IX.113 (2)(c). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$150.00

## Ace Transportation Inc., P O Box 91714 – ATTN: Richard Yandle, Lafayette, LA 70509 Docket # 70073

- 1. Did engage in the L.P. Gas business without obtaining the proper permit; thus violating R.S. 40:1847 (A) (1) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. <u>Postponed until November 2007.</u>
- 2. Did allow trailer (Lic # W59091) to transport L.P. Gas over the highways of the state of Louisiana without the proper placards; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 6.3.1.2, CFR 49 172.504 (c)(1). Postponed until November 2007.
- 3. Did fail to provide proof of insurance as required; thus violating LAC 55:IX.107 (3). <u>Postponed until November 2007.</u>
- 4. Did allow Sean D. Damitz to transport 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. <u>Postponed until November 2007.</u>

# Griffin's Station & Marina, 113 West 202<sup>nd</sup> St. – ATT: BJ Griffin, Galliano, LA 70354 Docket # 70074

- 1. Did allow Neil Mckinny to fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (2-87, Serial # C4499276); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$300.00; Suspend \$150.00 provided there are no further violations for one year.
- 2. Did allow Neil Mckinny to leave a DOT cylinder unattended while liquid transfer was in progress; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 4-2.1.1. <u>Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$500.00</u>; Suspend \$250.00 provided there are no further violations for one year.
- 3. Did allow Neil Mckinny to fill a DOT cylinder (Serial # C4499276) without the use of scales; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(8). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$300.00; Suspend \$150.00 provided there are no further violations for one year.
- 4. Did allow Neil Mckinny 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. <u>Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$150.00</u>; <u>Suspend \$75.00</u> provided there are no further violations for one year.

## <u>Leblanc's Service Station, P O Box 134 – ATTN: David Leblanc, Larose, LA 70373 Docket # 70075</u>

- 1. Did allow David Leblanc to fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (3-94, Serial # 374592); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$300.00; Penalty suspended provided an OOB is submitted. Eligible to reapply for a permit upon payment of penalty.
- 2. Did allow David Leblanc to leave a DOT cylinder unattended while liquid transfer was in progress; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 4-2.1.1. Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$500.00; Penalty suspended provided an OOB is submitted. Eligible to reapply for a permit upon payment of penalty.

### Allied Shipyard Inc, P O Box 1240 – ATTN: Gavin Callais, Larose, LA 70373 Docket # 70076

- 1. Did allow Stephen H. Callais to fill a DOT cylinder (Serial # 8700102X) without the use of scales; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(8). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$300.00; Suspend \$150.00 provided there are no further violations for one year.
- 2. Did allow Stephen H. Callais 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. <u>Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$150.00</u>; <u>Suspend \$75.00 provided there are no further violations for one year.</u>
- 3. Did allow Stephen H. Callais to fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (4-93, Serial # 8700102X); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$300.00; Suspend \$150.00 provided there are no further violations for one year.

## Hartman's True Value, 13171 Hwy 90 East – ATTN: Charles Hartman, Boutte, LA 70039 Docket # 70077

1. Did allow Edwin L. Hartman to fill a DOT cylinder (Serial # G0008847) without the use of scales; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(8). <u>Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$300.00</u>; <u>Suspend \$150.00 provided there are no further violations for one year.</u>

## Somme's Marina, 4298 Hwy 90 East – ATTN: Danny Somme, Des Allemands, LA 70030 Docket # 70078

- 1. Did allow Joseph B. Frieze to fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (11-91, Serial # A6121961); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10). Found guilty in absentia and assessed a penalty of \$300.00.
- 2. Did allow Joseph B. Frieze to fill a DOT cylinder (Serial # A6121961) without the use of scales; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(8). Found guilty in absentia and assessed a penalty of \$300.00.

### Ewing's Of Innis Inc., 6360 LA 1 – ATTN: Al Ewing, Batchelor, LA 70715 Docket # 70079

- 1. Did allow Cora Lee Polk to fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (01-94, Serial # 549217); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$300.00; Suspend \$150.00 provided there are no further violations for one year.
- 2. Did allow Cora Lee Polk 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. <u>Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$150.00</u>; <u>Suspend \$75.00</u> provided there are no further violations for one year.

### Carol's Shell, PO Box 523 – ATTN: Carol Breaux, Lockport, LA 70374-0089 Docket # 70080

1. Did allow Carol Breaux to fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (4-93, Serial # Z2980993); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$300.00; Suspend \$150.00 provided there are no further violations for one year.

#### Superior RV&MH Specialist LLC, 3200 N Bolton Ave-ATTN:L Miller, Alexandria LA 71301 Docket # 70081

- 1. Did engage in the L.P. Gas business without the required (Class 2) permit; thus violating R.S. 40:1847 (A) (1) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. Postponed until November 2007.
- 2. Did fail to provide a (Class 2) certificate of insurance as required; thus violating LAC 55:IX.107 (3). . <u>Postponed until November 2007.</u>

- 3. Did allow employees to work on L.P. Gas systems without cards of competency; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (C)(1) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. Postponed until November 2007.
- 4. Did engage in the L.P. Gas business without the required (Class 7) permit; thus violating R.S. 40:1847 (A) (1) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. Postponed until November 2007.
- 5. Did fail to provide a (Class 7) certificate of insurance as required; thus violating LAC 55:IX.107 (3). . Postponed until November 2007.
- 6. Did allow employees to transport L.P. Gas cylinders without cards of competency; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (C)(1) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. . <u>Postponed until November 2007.</u>

### Broadmoor Citgo, 4523 Youree Dr. – ATTN: Cathryn Mills, Shreveport, LA 71105 Docket # 70082

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 OOB and dismissed charge.

### Papa J's Hwy Mart LLC, 50479 Hwy 1072 – ATTN: John Hickman, Franklinton, LA 70438 Docket # 70083

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required (Class 6) permit fee; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. <u>Commission accepted guilty plea by waiver and payment of \$150.00 penalty.</u>

## Nishat Inc., 1214 2<sup>nd</sup> St – ATTN: Fakrul Islum, Crowley, LA 70526 Docket # 70084

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. <u>Found guilty in absentia</u>, revoked permit upon rendering evidence and testimony, and assessed a penalty of \$200.00 to reapply. <u>Eligible to reapply for a permit immediately upon payment of penalty.</u>

#### Riverbend Spur, 200 Bigner Rd – ATTN: Irwin B. McAdams, Mandeville, LA 70471 Docket # 70085

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.

#### Sam's Country Corner, 201 N Elm St. – ATTN: Kimmy L Ly, Haughton, LA 71037 Docket # 70086

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 OOB and dismissed charge.

### Village Market & Deli, 14448 Hwy 73 – ATTN: Reyad Hamdan, Prairieville, LA 70769 Docket # 70087

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. <u>Commission accepted OOB and dismissed charge.</u>

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## **APPLICATIONS**

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

R & Y LLC Veterans Store (Class 6X)
Change To:
R & Y LLC
2316 Veterans Blvd.
Metairie, LA 70002

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

12246 Tams Dr. – ATTN: Simon Le	Rozy's One Stop LLC 1142 Effie Hwy – ATTN: Scott Roszell Deville, LA 71328
Slagle Grocery P O Box 141 – ATTN: Steve Haymon Slagle, LA 71475	

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

THE TELEVISION OF THE PROPERTY	
<u>*</u>	Po Boy Depot LLC
13934 W Main	4101 Ames Blvd
Larose, LA 70373	Marrero, LA 70072
Baron Oil LLC d/b/a Corner Market	J & N Truck Stop Inc.
12609 Airline Dr.	9706 E Main St
Destrehan, LA 70047	Houma, LA 70363
IAC Louisiana LLC d/b/a Acadian Express	Bronco Stop
P O Box 868, 1409 Dunn St.	393 North Hwy 171
Houma, LA 70360	Lake Charles, LA 70611
Taylor's Country Store	U Pak It # 462 Sanders
18340 Hwy 190	801 Country Club Rd
Reeves, LA 70658	Lake Charles, LA 70605

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## OCTOBER 2007 FIRES AND ACCIDENTS

#### **RELATED:**

THERE WERE NO RELATED FIRES TO REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2007.

### **UNRELATED:**

FIRE: Scott Petroleum Corp, Oak Grove, reported a fire at the residence David Johnson, Oak Grove, LA. Probable cause of fire was electrical. No injuries or product loss was reported.

FIRE: Ferrellgas LP, Bossier City, reported a fire destroyed the residence of Eugene Mathews, Creston, LA. A 500 WC tank was disconnected from the system and 20 lb LP gas cylinder was connected to line and in use. No injuries or product loss reported.

FIRE: Amerigas Propane LP, Boyce, reported a fire destroyed the residence of Rick and Suzie Fullington, Lacamp, LA. Cause is unknown at this time. No injuries or product loss reported.

FIRE: Herring Gas Co. Inc of LA, Clinton, reported a fire destroyed the residence of J. C. Myles, Greensburg, LA. Cause is unknown. No injuries or product loss reported.

ACCIDENT: Onealgas, Choudrant, reported an **at-fault** accident which occurred after a truck turned over due to driver error and poor road conditions on Sweetwater Rd, Vixon, LA. Damage to company vehicle (cab) only. No injuries, product loss, or fire occurred.

## OCTOBER 2007 CONDEMNED/UNCONDEMNED SYSTEMS

Inspector Chad Ledet temporarily **condemned** the following LP Gas Tank:

1. 500 gallon tank, located at 409 N. Plaisance, Golden Meadow, LA. Serial # Unknown. System was put into operation with no sketch, no leak check, and improper crash protection.

Inspector Benny Trahan temporarily **condemned** the following LP Gas Tank:

1. 500 gallon ASME tank, located at 9730 Andrew Rd, Abbeville, LA. Serial # Unknown. New installation, not in service. No data plate. Did not pass inspection.

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The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission will meet at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 14, 2007, 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, November 15, 2007, at 7919 Independence Blvd, Conference Room B, Baton Rouge, LA. Thursday morning, violations will be heard and applications for permits will be considered.

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Deridder Propane LLC, 332 Hwy 26 – ATTN: Kenneth Doyle, Deridder, LA 70634 Docket # 70088

1. Did fail to properly pressure test the system for the required fifteen (15) minutes; thus violating LAC 55:IX.175(8)(b).

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### **APPLICATIONS**

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

Good Time RV Repair LLC

17884 Lake Charles Hwy – ATTN: Robert Bradley

Leesville, LA 71446

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

Atchafalaya Seafood Co. Inc.	L & L Tire Center Inc
P O Box 80223 – ATTN: Jim Saylors	260 Rees St – ATTN: Craig Latiolais
Baton Rouge, LA 70898	Breaux Bridge, LA 70517

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

Exxon Jubilee
105 LA 70 Spur
Plattenville, LA 70393
Jong's Inc d/b/a Jong's Super Valu #1
217 N Hood
Lake Providence, LA 71254

Live Oak Discount LLC	Sean Market
200 Live Oak St	12325 River Road
Metairie, LA 70005	Luling, LA 70070

The following applicant has applied for a Class R1 Permit and is to be ratified by the Commission:

Alexander's Plumbing LLC

706 Whitewood Rd

West Monroe, LA 71291

SPECIAL NOTICE: 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, NOVEMBER 15, 2007, 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