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COMPLIANCE AUDITS ARE ONGOING STATEWIDE IN REFERENCE TO FILLING OUT-OF-DATE CYLINDERS, NOT USING SCALES WHEN FILLING CYLINDERS AND OTHER COMMISSION RULES AND REGULATIONS.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

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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 www.dps.state.la.us/lpg/home.html .

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission continued its regular meeting on Wednesday, July 23 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 Mrs. Carol Ann Cleveland, Commissioner

VIOLATIONS

Metro Lift Propane, PO Box 2737 - ATTN: Dale Burgess, Reserve, LA 70084 Docket # 80024

- 1. Did allow Otis Nelson, Jr to transport a filled DOT forklift cylinder (11-94, Serial # 01239049G; 9-90, Serial # 867334G; 1-03 E, Serial # 867490G; Serial # 02446219G) without being requalified; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10). Postponed until August.
- **2.** Did refill and offer for sale three (3) Ferrellgas forklift cylinders without Ferrellgas's written authorization; thus violating LAC 55:IX.139 (E). <u>Postponed until August.</u>
- **3.** Did refill and offer for sale one (1) Amerigas forklift cylinder without Amerigas's written authorization; thus violating LAC 55:IX.139 (E). <u>Postponed until August.</u>

APPLICATIONS

The following applicants for a Permit were postponed until August:

P O Box 2630 – ATTN: Theron Ware	Keith's RV Repair Inc (Class 2) 1956 Old Natchitoches Rd – ATTN: Keith Meeks West Monroe, LA 71291
35949 Hwy 11 – ATTN: Tai Nguyen	Ringgold Hardware Feed & Farm Supply Inc (Class 6X) 2230 Mill St Ringgold, LA 71068

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

Big Billy's Food Mart LLC 2217 Hwy 151 Downsville, LA 71234	Harold's Grocery & Specialty Meats Inc. 7212 Johnston St Lafayette, LA 70503
J & W Truck Stop	K & G Corner Store
15660 Hwy 71	1818 Main Street
Hosston, LA 71043	Jeanerette, LA 70544
Lester's LLC	Piggly Wiggly (St. Martinville)
9606 Hwy 2	1714 South Main St
Farmerville, LA 71241	St. Martinville, LA 70582
Sal Investment Inc 116 E Plaquemine Church Point, LA 70525	

The following applicants for a Class 6X Permit that were to be dismissed have now met the requirements of the Commission and are hereby ratified by the Commission:

Cannons Grocery #2	Gas & Go Deli LLC
3430 Hwy 80	20260 Hwy 36
Rayville, LA 71269	Covington, LA 70433
Kee Food Inc d/b/a Exxon Jubilee (Houma)	S & J Mini Mart
6957 West Park	1400 Grand Point Ave
Houma, LA 70360	Breaux Bridge, LA 70517
Hwy 15 U Pak It #337 Whittington	U Pak It York
4566 Winnsboro Rd	3437 New Monroe Rd
Monroe, LA 71202	Bastrop, LA 71220
Sunny & Brother LLC d/b/a Lions Stop	U Pak It Pine Hills # 415 Wiggins
1490 Hwy 594	1300 Hwy 80 E
Monroe, LA 71203	Calhoun, LA 71225
U Pak It # 417 Esswein	U Pak It Vikki Jordan Inc.
912 US 165 N	2238 Jonesboro Rd
Monroe, LA 71203	West Monroe, LA 71292
U Pak It Rayville # 422 Booth 2175 Louisa Rayville, LA 71269	

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

River Pond Seafood Inc (Class 6X)	Carewell Hospitality LLC (Class 6X)
4701 Airline Dr	6050 Chef Menteur Hwy
Metairie, LA 70002	New Orleans, LA 70126
(Received April 2007 – No Sketch)	(Received Nov. 2007 – No Sketch)
Jalou Silver Dollar (Class 6X)	
1324 N Market Street	
Shreveport, LA 71107	
(Received Dec. 2007 – No Sketch)	

JULY 2008 FIRES AND ACCIDENTS

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RELATED:

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

UNRELATED:

FIRE: Onealgas, Inc, Monroe, reported a fire at the residence of Danny Nelson, Calhoun, LA. Source of fire was electrical. No injuries or product loss reported.

FIRE: Onealgas, Inc., Monroe, reported a fire at the residence of Amie Sittner, Monroe, LA. Cause of fire due to neighbor burning brush. No injuries reported. Some product loss reported.

FIRE Southern LP Gas Inc., Natchitoches, reported a fire destroyed the residence of Timothy Brossette, Cloutierville, LA. Cause of fire suspected electrical. No injuries or product loss reported.

FIRE: Amerigas Propane LP, Amite, reported a fire at Russell's Diner, Amite, LA. No fire source reported. No injuries or product loss reported.

FIRE: Jim's South Butane-Propane Inc, Alexandria, reported a fire at Boise Cascade, Oakdale, LA. Fire occurred with filling of forklift. Serious injuries were reported. Product loss not reported.

INCIDENT: Jim's South Butane-Propane Inc, Many, LA, reported a **not-at-fault** incident which occurred at Despino Tire, 1721 Hwy 3175, Hammond, LA. Line on cylinder filling plant ruptured. No injuries reported. Product loss of 400 gallons.

CONDEMNED/UNCONDEMNED SYSTEMS

Inspector Len Hodges temporarily condemned the following LP Gas Exchange Cage:

1. Exchange cage located at Albany Stop-N-Go, 19072 Florida Blvd., Albany, LA. Cage was moved to unapproved location with no crash protection.

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission will meet at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 27, 2008, 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, August 28, 2008, 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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- 1. Did fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (Recert 4-03E, Serial # 881026G); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).
- 2. Did overfill DOT cylinder (Serial #881026G); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 4-4.2.1.
- 3. Did fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (4-90, Serial # 836596G); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).
- 4. Did allow a DOT cylinder (Serial # 836596G) with an out-of-date relief valve to be filled; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 8-3.7.
- 5. Did fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (Recert 4-03E, Serial # 786575G); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).
- 6. Did fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (Recert 5-03E, Serial # 955788G); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).
- 7. Did fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (2-95, Serial # 01268127G); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).
- 8. Did allow a DOT cylinder (Serial # 01268127G) with an out-of-date relief valve to be filled; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 8-3.7.
- 9. Did fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (1-96, Serial # 01381342G); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).
- 10. Did allow a DOT cylinder (Serial # 01381342G) with an out-of-date relief valve to be filled; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 8-3.7.
- 11. Did fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (Recert 2-03E, Serial # K099396); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).
- **12.** Did overfill DOT cylinder (Serial #195620G); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 4-4.2.1.
- 13. Did fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (Recert 5-03E, Serial # 195620G); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).
- 14. Did overfill DOT cylinder (Serial # 1754225G); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 4-4.2.1.
- 15. Did overfill DOT cylinder (Serial # 02411368G); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 4-4.2.1.
- 16. Did overfill DOT cylinder (Serial # K089286); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 4-4.2.1.
- 17. Did fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (Recert 5-03E, Serial # K089286); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).
- 18. Did overfill DOT cylinder (Serial #839269G); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 4-4.2.1.
- 19. Did fill an out-of-date DOT cylinder (Recert 3-03E, Serial # 839269G); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).

Ferrellgas LP, 4000 Benton Rd Attn: J McConath, Bossier City, LA 71111 Docket # 80026

- 1. Did service a system (Martin's Grocery) that was improperly installed and was in a dangerous condition; thus violating LAC 55:IX.139 (A) & LAC 55:IX.172.
- 2. Did service a system (Martin's Grocery) without performing a proper leak check and inspection; thus violating LAC 55:IX.175.
- 3. Did service a system (Martin's Grocery) that had an improper space heater (15,000 BTU);

thus violating LAC 55:IX.177(C)(2)(a).

- 4. Did service a system (Martin's Grocery) that had appliance valve outlets that were not capped gas tight; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 54-1996 3-8.2 (a).
- **5.** Did service a system (Martin's Grocery) without an approved sketch; thus violating LAC 55:IX.179.
- 6. Did service a system (Martin's Grocery) without the required emergency exterior shutoff valve; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 54-1996 3-10.3.

<u>Cajun Propane of Plain Dealing LLC, 901 N. Louisiana St-Attn: K Lucero, Plain Dealing, LA71064</u> Docket # 80027

- 1. Did service a system (Martin's Grocery) that was improperly installed and was in a dangerous condition; thus violating LAC 55:IX.139 (A) & LAC 55:IX.172.
- 2. Did service a system (Martin's Grocery) without performing a proper leak check and inspection; thus violating LAC 55:IX.175.
- 3. Did service a system (Martin's Grocery) that had an improper space heater (15,000 BTU); thus violating LAC 55:IX.177 (C)(2)(a).
- 4. Did service a system (Martin's Grocery) that had appliance valve outlets that were not capped gas tight; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 54-1996 3-8.2 (a).
- **5.** Did service a system (Martin's Grocery) without an approved sketch; thus violating LAC 55:IX.179.
- 6. Did service a system (Martin's Grocery) without the required emergency exterior shutoff valve; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 54-1996 3-10.3.

Three Way One Stop, PO Box 576-Attn: Richard DePaula, Springfield, LA 70462 Docket # 80028

- 1. Did allow Barbara Montgomery, to fill an out-of-date DOT Gas cylinder (11-91); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).
- 2. Did allow Barbara Montgomery, to fill a DOT cylinder (A6121961) without a current card of competency; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (C)(1) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

APPLICATIONS

The following applicants have applied for a Class 2 Permit, were administratively granted and are to be ratified by the Commission:

Mechanical Systems & Service Inc.	Keith's RV Repair Inc
P O Box 2630 – ATTN: Theron Ware	1956 Old Natchitoches Rd – ATTN: Keith Meeks
Monroe, LA 71201	West Monroe, LA 71291

The following applicant has applied for a Class 6 Permit, was administratively granted and is to be ratified by the Commission:

Happy Land Shopping Centers LLC 35949 Hwy 11 – ATTN: Tai Nguyen Buras, LA 70041

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

Ringgold Hardware Feed & Farm Supply Inc	3-J's Four Way
2230 Mill St	11028 Hwy 1
Ringgold, LA 71068	Natchitoches, LA 71457
1	Odell's Grocery 627 Hwy 1 Marksville, LA 71351
Quik Stop	Seasonal Sensations
1475 Main Street	11222 B Hwy 165 S
Colfax, LA 71417	Forest Hill, LA 71430
Simm's Road Chevron	Turpin Chevron Inc
136 Airbase Rd	4411 Coliseum Blvd
Pollock, LA 71467	Alexandria, LA 71303

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, AUGUST 28, 2008, 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