

Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission (LPGC)
Wednesday, September 20, 2023
10:00 A.M.
7919 Independence Blvd. Baton Rouge, LA 70806 – Conference room B

Members Present:

Chairman Ira Cleveland
Commissioner Todd Thompson
Commissioner Dominique Monlezun
Commissioner Ricky Lee Cleveland

Also present:

Executive Director Don Robin
LTC Jody Hasselbeck
Attorney Gail Holland
Various Industry representatives

Action Taken:

- I. Called to Order at 10:00 A.M.
- II. Roll Call
- III. Public Comments
- IV. Approval of the minutes from August 23, 2023
- V. New Business
 1. LPGC reports
 - a. Statistical report for August 2023
 - b. Detailed appropriation report recap for August 2023
 - c. Accounting total reports for August 2022/August 2023
 - d. Fire and accidents reports for August 2023
 - e. Compliance audits for August 2023
 2. Possible citations for next meeting
 - a. Regular citations – None
 - b. Insurance citations – None
 - c. Permit renewals – Approximately 20; failure to pay permit renewal.
 3. Violations to be heard (if applicable)

Tractor Supply #1473, 5401 Virginia Way ATTN: Licensing, Brentwood, TN Docket #2023112

1. Did allow employee (Wendell Jordan) to fill a DOT L.P. Gas cylinder without the required card of competency; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 C (1) (a) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.
Inspector Alvin Cadwallader approached the Commission with his reason for citing the violation. On motion by Commissioner Thompson seconded by Commissioner Monlezun a \$1000 penalty was recommended with \$500 suspended providing no future violations for one year. All agreed.
2. Did allow employee (Wendell Jordan) to fill an out-of-date DOT L.P. Gas cylinder without being requalified; thus violating R.S. 55:IX.181 (A)-NFPA-58 2017 Edition-5.2.2.
Inspector Alvin Cadwallader approached the Commission with his reason for citing the violation. On motion by Commissioner Thompson seconded by Commissioner Monlezun a \$1000 penalty was recommended with \$500 suspended providing no future violations for one year. All agreed.

167 Truck Stop, 227 Hwy 167 ATTN: Muhammed Iqbal, Opelousas, LA Docket #2023113

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.
On motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland seconded by Commissioner Monlezun a \$350 penalty was recommended. All agreed.

On motion by Commissioner Monlezun, seconded by Commission R. Cleveland, the agenda was amended to ratify applications and later return to the violations. All agreed.

4. Applications to be heard (if applicable)

Martin Product Sales LLC – Class 1 – P.O. Box 1 Kilgore, TX 75663 – *on motion by Commissioner Monlezun, seconded by Commissioner R. Cleveland, the application was postponed.*

Murphy’s Feed and Hardware – Class 6 – 18891 Hwy. 157 Plain Dealing, LA 71064 – *on motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun, the application was postponed.*

The Ponderosa RV Park – Class 6 – P.O. Box 922 Washington, LA 70589 – *on motion by Commissioner Monlezun, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, the permit was granted. All agreed.*

Singer Supply LLC – Class 6 – 7782 Lake Street Lake Charles, LA 70605 – *on motion by Commissioner Monlezun, seconded by Commissioner Thompson the permit was granted. All agreed.*

Landmark’d LLC – Class 6 – 1343 Marshall St. Cameron, LA 70631 - *on motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner R. Cleveland the permit was granted. All agreed.*

Fontenot’s Hardware LLC – Class 6 – 2388 Morgan Rd. Ville Platte. LA 70586 – *on motion by Commissioner Monlezun, seconded by Commissioner R. Cleveland, the application was postponed. All agreed.*

Super Save #1 – Class 6X – 607 Jonesboro Rd. West Monroe, LA 71292 – *on motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, the permit was granted. All agreed.*

Super S Crawdaddy’s – Class 6X – 12298 Mansfield Rd. Keithville, LA 71047 - *on motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, the permit was granted. All agreed.*

Hop In #554 – Class 6X – 3003 Kaliste Saloom Rd. Lafayette, LA 70508 - *on motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, the permit was granted. All agreed.*

Bentley’s – Class 6X – 19069 Hwy. 167 Bentley, LA 71407 - *on motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, the permit was granted. All agreed.*

B Powered Electric LLC – Class 6X – 2060 Benefit St. New Orleans, LA 70122 - *on motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, the permit was granted. All agreed.*

Returned to violations:

Ace Mobile Home, 1107 Washington Street ATTN: Richard Knight, Franklinton, LA Docket #2023114

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.
On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by LTC Hassellbeck the \$250 fee paid by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

Ama Foodmart, 10569 River Road ATTN: Alah Nassar, Ama, LA Docket #2023115

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.
On motion by LTC Hassellbeck, seconded by Commissioner Thompson the out of business was accepted. All agreed.

Ardoin's Grocery, 321 N. St. John ATTN: Wes Walker, Washington, LA Docket #2023116

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.
On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by LTC Hassellbeck the \$350 fine was imposed. All agreed.

Bannister Energy Solutions, 3966 Hwy 15 ATTN: Paula Godwin, Calhoun, LA Docket #2023117

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required (Class 2) permit fee; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.
On motion by LTC Hassellbeck, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the \$350 fine was imposed. All agreed.

Bayou Quick Stop LLC, 205 Crescent Ave. ATTN: Brian Rivet, Lockport, LA Docket #2023118

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.
On motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland seconded by Commissioner Thompson the \$350 fine was imposed. All agreed.

Bayouland RV LLC, P.O. Box 352 ATTN: Vince Guarisco, Schriever, LA Docket #2023119

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required (Class 2) permit fee; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.
On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the \$350 fine was imposed. All agreed.

Bayouside Tobacco Outlet LLC, 1114 St. Mary St. ATTN: Billy Chiasson, Thibodaux, LA Docket #2023120

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.
On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the out of business was accepted. All agreed.

Beaux's Sport and Goods, 6011 Hwy 80 ATTN: Thomas Moore, Princeton, LA Docket #2023121

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.
On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the \$250 fee paid by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

Best Stop Quick Mart #26, 25385 LA Hwy 43 ATTN: Candy Caur, Springfield, LA Docket #2023122

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.

On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner R. Cleveland the \$250 fee paid by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

Billie's Too LLC., 1137 N. Pine ATTN: Ronald Carter, Deridder, LA Docket #2023123

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.
On motion by Commissioner Monlezun, seconded by Commissioner R. Cleveland the \$250 fee paid by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

Billie's Wag-A-Bag, 915 West 1st Street ATTN: Ronald Carter, Deridder, LA Docket #2023124

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.
On motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the \$250 fee paid by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

Bourg Supermarket Inc. 4512 Country Dr., Bourg, LA Docket #2023125

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.
On motion by Commissioner Monlezun, seconded by Commissioner R. Cleveland the out of business was accepted. All agreed.

Boutte Express, 13514 U.S. 90 ATTN: Abe Aboraihan, Boutte, LA Docket #2023126

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.
On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner R. Cleveland the \$350 fine was imposed. All agreed

Chevron USA, 251 Little Falls Drive ATTN: Laura Lacey, Wilmington, DE Docket #2023127

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required (Class 4) permit fee; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.
On motion by Commissioner Monlezun, seconded by Commissioner Thompson the out of business was accepted. All agreed.

East Crowley I-10 Chevron, 731 Odd Fellow Rd. ATTN: Duaine Belfour, Crowley, LA Docket #2023128

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.
On motion by LTC Hassellbeck, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the out of business was accepted. All agreed.

False River Quick Stop, 1700 False River Drive ATTN: Brad Cottano, New Roads, LA Docket #2023129

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.
On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by LTC Hassellbeck the \$350 fine was imposed. All agreed

First Stop #3, 1783 Hwy 171 N ATTN: Amrik Khinda, Lake Charles, LA Docket #2023130

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.
On motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the \$350 fine was imposed. All agreed

Fuel Trac Marina LLC, 3878 Hwy 129 ATTN: Skylar Sanders, Jonesville, LA Docket #2023131

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.
On motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by LTC Hassellbeck the \$350 fine was imposed. All agreed

Jean Lafitte Harbor LLC, 49352 Kenal Road ATTN: Kristen Contrenchis, Lafitte, LA Docket #2023132

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.
On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner R. Cleveland the \$250 fee by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

Kaylor Ammonia Service LLC, 207 N Burkhard Rd. ATTN: Don Newton, Glencoe, OK Docket #2023133

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required (Class A1) permit fee; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.
On motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by Commissioner Thompson the \$250 fee by waiver was accepted. All agreed

King Stop Chevron, 3433 Monroe Hwy., Pineville, LA Docket #2023134

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.
On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the out of business was accepted. All agreed.

Kite Bros LLC, 1940 North Pine St. ATTN: Robert Kite, Deridder, LA Docket #2023135

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required (Class 2) permit fee; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.
On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner R. Cleveland the out of business was accepted. All agreed.

Lafayette Corner Express, 1525 N. University Ave. ATTN: Ramsey Ali, Lafayette, LA Docket #2023136

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.
On motion by LTC Hassellbeck, seconded by Commissioner Thompson the \$250 fee by waiver was accepted. All agreed

Lake Charles RV Resort, 21125 Louisiana Cotton Drive ATTN: Chad Ross, Iowa, LA Docket #2023137

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.
On motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by Commissioner Thompson the \$250 fee by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

Lewisburg Grocery, 1011 Hwy 357 ATTN: Kimberly Vasseur, Church Point, LA Docket #2023138

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.
On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the \$350 fine imposed. All agreed

Longhorn Propane LP, P.O. Box 2030, Canyon Lake, TX Docket #2023139

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required (Class 4) permit fee; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.
On motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the out of business was accepted. All agreed.

Lucky 13 Express LLC, 9340 Hwy 1 ATTN: Al Ewing, Lettsworth, LA Docket #2023140

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.
On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner R. Cleveland the \$250 fee by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

Mac's of Colfax, 712 Main Street, Colfax, LA Docket #2023141

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.
On motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the \$250 fee by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

Main Street Market - Jackson, 1511 Charter St. ATTN: Mike Sadaqat, Jackson, LA Docket #2023142

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.
On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the \$250 fee by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

More for Less #99, 726 E. 2nd Street ATTN: Jas Thind, Crowley, LA Docket #2023143

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.
On motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the out of business was accepted. All agreed.

Paul Lee Inc., 3525 N. University Ave. ATTN: Paul Lee, Lafayette, LA Docket #2023144

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.
On motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the \$250 fee by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

Piggly Wiggly, P.O. Box 316, Church Point, LA Docket #2023145

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.
On motion by Commissioner Monlezun, seconded by Commissioner R. Cleveland the \$250 fee by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

Plain Dealing Feed & Hardware, P.O. Box 604, Plain Dealing, LA Docket #2023146

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.
On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun, the violation was postponed. All agreed.

Prytania Mart, 3636 Prytania Mart ATTN: Omar Salha, New Orleans, LA Docket #2023147

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.
On motion by Commissioner Monlezun, seconded by Commissioner R. Cleveland the \$350 penalty was imposed. All agreed.

R & B Investments LLC, 75273 Hwy 25 ATTN: Rudy Booth, Covington, LA Docket #2023148

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.
On motion by LTC Hassellbeck, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun, the \$250 fee by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

Reeves Market, 10770 N. Harrell's Ferry Rd. ATTN: James Kent, Baton Rouge, LA Docket #2023149

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.
On motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by LTC Hassellbeck the \$250 fee by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

Renovations Inc., 16815 E Main St. ATTN: Susan Martin, Cutoff, LA Docket #2023150

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.
On motion by Commissioner Monlezun, seconded by Commissioner Thompson the \$250 fee by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

Save & Go, 4452 Ryan Street ATTN: Malkit Singh, Lake Charles, LA Docket #2023151

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.
On motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the \$350 penalty was imposed. All agreed.

Service Transport Company, 7979 Alameda Genoa Rd. ATTN: Michael Leggio, Houston, TX Docket #2023152

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required (Class 4) permit fee; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.
On motion by Commissioner Monlezun, seconded by Commissioner R. Cleveland the \$250 fee by waiver was accepted. All agreed.

Sunshine Grocery #8, 2217 Hwy 171 ATTN: Sunny Dokwal, Deridder, LA Docket #2023153

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.
On motion by Commissioner R. Cleveland, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the \$350 penalty was imposed. All agreed.

The Felicianas' Store, 3048 Miller Road ATTN: Michael Salmon, Jackson, LA Docket #2023154

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.
2. *On motion by Commissioner Monlezun seconded by Commissioner R. Cleveland the violation was postponed. All agreed.*

Inspector Frank Blazier approached the Commission. He addressed the ongoing issues with Class 6X permit holders. According to Inspector Blazier, suppliers are not keeping up with active permits. And the suppliers are servicing permit holders without active permits. The discussion continued on how to improve and address the issues with the Class 6X permits. It is the wishes of the Commission to bring permit holders and dealers before the Commission when a violation has been issued.

5. Market Development business
 - a. Chase bank reconciliation as of September 13, 2023: \$431,839.41 – Approximately \$70K of these funds are encumbered which include the event coordinator contract and Hometown Productions. Chairman Cleveland stated that the payment(s) to Randy Hayden should be completed with Colonel Davis' approval. The internal audit is completed. According to Executive Director Don Robin, Hayden has to repay approximately \$600 as a result of the internal audit.
6. Office of Legal Affairs representative (if applicable) – Attorney Holland informed the Commission that she is waiting to receive the final findings of the internal auditor's report.
7. Open discussion by Chairman and/or Interim Executive Director – none
8. Tentative meeting date – October 25, 2023 – Baton Rouge, LA - The December meeting was discussed. *On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Monlezun the*

December meeting will be held in Natchitoches, LA in conjunction with the Louisiana Propane Gas Association's quarterly meeting. The final dates will be given at a later time. All agreed.

9. *Commission/Industry/Advisory Board communication – Attorney Holland asked if the advisory board had been meeting. Chairman Cleveland read a message from Artie Cole that indicated there hasn't been a meeting because they would like to know how much money is available. Attorney Holland reminded the Commission that the advisory board is responsible for advising and making recommendations but the decision to move forward is the Commission's responsibility.*
10. *Adjournment - On motion by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner R. Cleveland the meeting was adjourned.*