

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COMPLIANCE AUDITS ARE ONGOING STATEWIDE IN REFERENCE TO FILLING OUT-OF-DATE CYLINDERS, NOT USING SCALES WHEN FILLING CYLINDERS AND OTHER COMMISSION RULES AND REGULATIONS.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 on a Commission proprietary certificate of insurance form as of November 1, 2005. This proprietary certificate of insurance will be provided via facsimile or via mail upon request or can be downloaded from our website at www.dps.state.la.us/lpg/home.html. Insurance requirements are \$1,000,000 in each class of insurance required by Commission rules. If the certificate of insurance is not received on or before the expiration date of your current certificate of insurance, a citation will be issued. Permit holders must "Cease and Desist" L.P. Gas operations immediately, if not received timely.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

SEVERAL NEW RULES AND SOME AMENDED RULES ARE EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2005. Please refer to our web site for these new rules and amended rules.

AS A REMINDER TO ALL NEW APPLICANTS, applications must have the complete and correct name of the business on the application and the exact same name on the certificate of insurance. INCORRECT APPLICATIONS CAN NOT BE PROCESSED AND WILL BE RETURNED!!

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.

****REMINDER****REMINDER****

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 Thursday, September 21, 2006, at 7919 Independence Blvd, 1 st Floor, 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 Mr. Jimmy Long, Commissioner

VIOLATIONS

Crazy Cajun Seafood, 2514 Bayou Blue Rd – ATTN: Albert Daigle, Houma, LA 70364 Docket # 60090

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, revoked permit upon rendering evidence and testimony, and assessed a penalty of \$150.00 to reapply. Eligible to reapply for a permit immediately upon payment of penalty.

Paige & Sons Inc, 3853 Hwy 31 – ATTN: Janet Miller, Arnaudville, LA 70512 Docket # 60091

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 in absentia, revoked permit upon rendering evidence and testimony, and assessed a penalty of \$300.00 to reapply. Eligible to reapply for a permit immediately upon payment of penalty.</u>

Amerigas Propane LP, 523 Jake Creel Rd – ATTN: Bobby Sharp, Dodson, LA 71422 Docket # 60097

1. Did place a filled DOT cylinder in a cage for sale without an approved sketch (Valero Diamond Metro Inc.); thus violating LAC 55:IX.159 (2). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$250.00.

APPLICATIONS

The following applicants for a Permit were postponed until October 2006:

Toromont Energy Systems Inc. (Class A2)

10815 Telge Rd – ATTN: Patrick Doran

Houston, TX 77095

Empire Fuel & Oil Inc (Class 6)

P O Box 8 – ATTN: Lana Hingle

Empire, LA 70050

The following applicants for a Class 6 Permit were heard and are granted by the Commission pending completion of Commission requirements:

| P O Box 240 – ATTN: Talesha Pugh | Silver Spur Tack LLC 2408 West Madison – ATTN: George Delamar Bastrop, LA 71220 |
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| CS Ventures Inc d/b/a JIMS P O Box 874 – ATTN: Sue Foglesong Des Allemands, LA 70030 | |

The following applicant for a Class 6 Permit requested the application be dismissed; Commission granted request:

Pigott Oil Co. Inc.
32011 Hwy 25 – ATTN: Linda Graves
Franklinton, LA 70438

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

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| Mac's Fresh Market | Bass Pro Shops |
| 2823 W Gloria Switch | 100 Bass Pro Drive |
| Carencro, LA 70520 | Bossier City, LA 71111 |
| Bayou One Stop | Gary's Propane Exchange |
| 4730 Hwy 167 North | 1071 A Jackson Street |
| Ville Platte, LA 70586 | Thibodaux, LA 70301 |
| Jalou Forest Gold Truck Plaza & Casino LLC | Kief Hardware Inc |
| 30092 Hwy 16 West | 18242 West Main |
| Amite, LA 70422 | Galliano, LA 70354 |
| Nishat Inc | W J Superette |
| 1214 2 nd Street | 2879 Hwy 167 |
| Crowley, LA 70526 | Opelousas, LA 70570 |

SEPTEMBER 2006 FIRES AND ACCIDENTS

RELATED:

THERE WERE NO RELATED FIRES TO REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2006.

UNRELATED:

FIRE: Macon Ridge Propane, Delhi, reported a fire nearly destroyed the residence of Teresa Lucas, Ferriday, LA, leaving one with injuries and no product loss. Cause possibly unattended stove.

FIRE: Herring Gas Co of LA, Ferriday reported a fire destroyed the residence of Charles Rutledge, Harrisonburg, LA, having initiated around the stove and electrical outlets. No injuries or product loss was reported.

FIRE: Inspector John Nicholas reported a fire destroyed the residence of Marty & Louise Welch, Robeline, LA, which ended with one fatality. Reports of severe lightening storms within the area leave speculations as to probable cause. No product loss reported.

FIRE: Inspector Terry McLain reported a fire destroyed the FEMA trailer assigned to Latoyha Creighton, Mt. Herman, LA, which left one occupant severally burned. The 16 year old burn victim stated he awoke to the smell of gas, turned a knob on the range and it exploded. A proper leak check could not be performed at the time of inspection due to the extent of damage. Further investigation is underway.

ACCIDENT: Cajun Propane of Lafayette, Scott, reported an **at-fault** accident which occurred as their driver failed to stop at a stop sign and struck the front end of another vehicle. No product loss, fires, injuries, or property damage to propane unit. Passenger Truck received minor damage to driver side light, bumper, and grill.

ACCIDENT: Ferrellgas LP, Baton Rouge, reported an **at-fault** accident which occurred as their driver bumped into a car while backing up attempting to make a corner turn. No product loss, fires, injuries, or property damage to propane unit. Car received scratches and a broken parking light.

ACCIDENT: Ferrellgas LP, Bossier City, reported a **not-at-fault** accident occurring when the lift gate switch went bad causing lift motor to smoke. Minor damage to transport but no fire, product loss, or injuries to employee resulted.

INCIDENT: Amerigas Propane LP, Thibodaux, reported an **at-fault** incident when a valve broke at bottom of tank allowing propane to leak out. All of the proper authorities were contacted and incident resolved. Minimal product loss before tank was pumped; no fires, injuries, or property damage resulted.

<u>SEPTEMBER 2006</u> CONDEMNED/UNCONDEMNED SYSTEMS

Ferrellgas LP representative, Aron Drum, permanently **condemned** the following LP Gas Tank:

1. 250 gallon, American tank located at 647 Winnfield Rd, West Monroe, LA. Serial # 2SP00260. Tank set approximately 6½ feet next to A/C unit, regulator on house is not 18" off the ground, and pipe between house and tank is buried under co 250 gallon, American tank located at 647 Winnfield Rd, West Monroe, LA. Serial # 2SP00260. Tank set approximately 6½ feet next to A/C unit, regulator on house is not 18" off the ground, and pipe between house and tank is buried under concrete.

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission will meet at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 18, 2006, at 7919 Independence Blvd, 1st Floor, 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, October 19, 2006, at 7919 Independence Blvd, 1st Floor, Conference Room B, Baton Rouge, LA. Thursday morning, violations will be heard and applications for permits will be considered.

VIOLATIONS

Blue Rhino, 104 Cambridge Plaza Dr – ATTN: Susan Simpson, Winston Salem, NC 27104 Docket # 60098

- 1. Did place a DOT cylinder (#M4014, dated 11-94) into service in unsafe condition (rusted and pitted beyond tolerance); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 2-2.1.4 (a) & NFPA 58-1995 2-2.1.6.
- 2. Did park cylinder delivery truck (#46) without the use of chock blocks; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 6-3.8.
- 3. Did allow Mark T. Bonner to operate cylinder delivery truck (#46) without an 18# fire extinguisher; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 6-3.7 & 6-2.4.
- 4. Did allow Mark T. Bonner to operate cylinder delivery truck (#46) over the highways of Louisiana without the proper DOT markings; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 6-3.1.2, CFR 49 180.407.

Flying J Inc., 9510 Greenwood Rd – ATTN: Phillip Adams, Greenwood, LA 71033 Docket # 60099

- 1. Did allow Louis Hayley to fill a DOT cylinder without the use of scales; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(8).
- 2. Did fail to have a Reject Do Not Fill sign posted at their cylinder plant; thus violating LAC 55:IX.107.15.

Ferrellgas LP, 4000 Benton Rd – ATTN: Jimmy McConathy, Bossier City, LA 71111 Docket # 60100

- 1. Did fail to register transport truck (#7308) as required; thus violating LAC 55:IX.166 (A).
- 2. Did fail to have the required safety inspection on transport truck (#7308); thus violating LAC 55:IX.166 (B).
- 3. Did fail to maintain transport truck (#7308) in good mechanical condition (inoperable Emergency pull cables); thus violating LAC 55:IX.169 (A).

Ferrellgas LP, 4000 Benton Rd – ATTN: Jimmy McConathy, Bossier City, LA 71111 Docket # 60101

1. Did allow Randy R. Johnson to operate truck #D327 over the highways of Louisiana with the main pump belly valve open; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 6-3.1.2, CFR 49 177.834 (j)(2).

Ferrellgas LP, 4000 Benton Rd – ATTN: Jimmy McConathy, Bossier City, LA 71111 Docket # 60102

1. Did place a system into service at a place of public assembly (Hutch's Hardware Inc) without an approved sketch; thus violating LAC 55:IX.179.

Ferrellgas LP, 4000 Benton Rd – ATTN: Jimmy McConathy, Bossier City, LA 71111 Docket # 60103

1. Did allow bobtail unit (#4585) to operate after July 1, 2006, without an emergency discharge control installed; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 6-3.1.2, CFR 49 173.315 (n) (5)(ii).

J & P Services, FM 1005 – ATTN: Jackie Norsworthy, Kirbyville, TX 75956 Docket # 60104

1. Did perform a pressure test on Ferrellgas bobtail (#4585) without installing an emergency discharge control; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 6-3.1.2, CFR 49 173.315 (n)(3)(ii).

J & P Services, FM 1005 – ATTN: Jackie Norsworthy, Kirbyville, TX 75956 Docket # 60105

1. Did perform a pressure test on Ferrellgas bobtail (#4495) without installing an emergency discharge control; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995 6-3.1.2, CFR 49 173.315 (n)(3)(ii).

Mike's Country Store, 2999 Choctaw Rd – ATTN: Michael Delatte, Thibodaux, LA 70301 Docket # 60106

1. Did allow Michael Delatte to fill an out-of-date cylinder (11-69, Serial #WE97699); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).

Aeriform Corp dba Gas & Equipment, 2037 Coteau Rd–ATTN: Will Roberts, Houma, LA 70364 Docket # 60107

1. Did allow Hank G. Solar to fill an out-of-date cylinder (4-93, Serial #Z2980993); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).

Marvin's Texaco, 3890 Hwy 308 – ATTN: Marvin Robichaux, Raceland, LA 70394 Docket # 60108

1. Did allow Marvin P. Robichaux to fill an out-of-date cylinder (1-94, Serial #761761N); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).

<u>Triple S Convenience Store, P O Box 309 – ATTN: Michael Sheets, St Amant, LA 70774 Docket # 60109</u>

- 1. Did allow Roland Lambert 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 Roland Lambert to fill a DOT cylinder (#B49917) without the use of scales; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(8).
- 3. Did allow Roland Lambert to fill an out-of-date cylinder (9-72, Serial #B49917); thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).

<u>Greenville Automatic Gas Co, 2393 FM 118 – ATTN: Tim Stainback, Greenville, TX 75401 Docket #</u> 60110

- 1. Did fail to have the required safety inspection on transport truck (#24); thus violating LAC 55:IX.166 (B).
- 2. Did fail to have the required safety inspection on transport truck (#25); thus violating LAC 55:IX.166 (B).

Propane Transport International, 13105 NW Frwy S 500–ATTN: Don Ward, Houston, TX 77040 Docket # 60111

- 1. Did fail to have the required safety inspection on transport truck (#660); thus violating LAC 55:IX.166 (B).
- 2. Did fail to have the required safety inspection on transport truck (#788); thus violating LAC 55:IX.166 (B).
- 3. Did fail to have the required safety inspection on transport truck (#646); thus violating LAC 55:IX.166 (B).

AC Transportation, 2393 FM 118 – ATTN: Tim Stainback, Greenville, TX 75401 Docket # 60112

1. Did fail to have the required safety inspection on transport truck (#1); thus violating LAC 55:IX.166 (B).

Western Intrntnl Gas&Cylinders Inc, 7173 Hwy 159 E-ATTN:Richard Mark, Bellville, TX 77418 Docket # 60113

- 1. Did fail to have the required safety inspection on transport truck (#W601); thus violating LAC 55:IX.166 (B).
- 2. Did fail to have the required safety inspection on transport truck (#W602); thus violating LAC 55:IX.166 (B).

Bayou Vista Truck Plaza, 1829 Hwy 90 W – ATTN: Melinda Fields, Bayou Vista, LA 70380 Docket # 60114

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.

Broadmoor Citgo, 4523 Youree Dr – ATTN: Cathryn Mills, Shreveport, LA 71105 Docket # 60115

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.

Frost Market, 19806 Hwy 42 – ATTN: Phillip Sonders, Livingston, LA 70754 Docket # 60116

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.

Nichols Feed & Seed Inc., 2574 Hwy 121 – ATTN: Jim Nichols, Otis, LA 71466 Docket # 60117

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.

P & W One Stop, 23566 Hwy 8 – ATTN: Henry Presley, Evans, LA 70639 Docket # 60118

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.

River Food Mart, 101 W Hwy 22 – ATTN: Mark Badeaux, Madisonville, LA 70447 Docket # 60119

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.

River Parish RV Inc, 2000 Hwy 51 – ATTN: Kenneth Edmonds, La Place, LA 70068 Docket # 60120

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.

River Parish RV's Inc. 2000 Hwy 51 – ATTN: Kenny Edmonds, La Place, LA 70068 Docket # 60121

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.

Smoke Plus II, 420 Crescent Ave – ATTN: Colly Ahmed, Lockport, LA 70374 Docket # 60122

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.

Southwest A/C & Sheet Metal, 129 Jefferson Blvd–ATTN: Harold Latiolais, Lafayette, LA 70501 Docket # 60123

1. Did continue to engage in the L.P. Gas business without paying the required (Class R2) permit fee; thus violating R.S. 40:1849 (A) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

<u>Sportsmans Haven, 5035 Airline Hwy – ATTN: David Mincin, Baton Rouge, LA 70805 Docket #</u> 60124

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.

T & P's, 1519 Hwy 165 – ATTN: Rahman, Fenton, LA 70640 Docket # 60125

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>The Seafood Shop, 814 Florida Ave – ATTN: John Higginbotham, Denham Springs, LA 70726 Docket</u> # 60126

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>Trav's Tire Center LLC, 421 E Bridge St – ATTN: Travis Trahan, St Martinville, LA 70582 Docket #</u> 60127

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.

Norco, LA 70079

<u>APPLICATIONS</u>

The following applicants have applied for a Name Change:

Diamond Shamrock (Class 6X)

Change To:

Change To:

Valero Corner Store
P O Box 690007 – ATTN: Cathy Witt

Holmes Food Mart (Class 6X)

Change To:

Big River Food & Fuel
P O Box 158 – ATTN: Brian Landry

The following applicant has applied for a Class A2 Permit:

Toromont Energy Systems Inc.

San Antonio, TX 78269-0007

10815 Telge Rd – ATTN: Patrick Doran

Houston, TX 77095

The following applicants have applied for a Class 6 Permit:

| P O Box 8 – ATTN: Lana Hingle | Randy Montalbano's Seafood & Catering 12740 Florida Blvd – ATTN: Randy Montalbano Baton Rouge, LA 70815 |
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| 50479 Hwy 1072 – ATTN: John Hickman | Bayou Convenience Store Inc 6328 Gulf Beach Hwy – ATTN: Ernest Trahan Cameron, LA 70631 |

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

| Chicken Palace Grocery | The Corner Store |
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| 1878 Leglise St | 3424 5 th St. |
| Mansura, LA 71350 | Berwick, LA 70342 |

<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, OCTOBER 19, 2006**,

AT 7919 INDEPENDENCE BLVD., 1ST FLR, 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