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# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONS

#### PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

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AD # 1537

TO ALL DEALERS:

### WARNING!!!! WARNING!!!! WARNING!!!!

UNDERCOVER OPERATIONS ARE ON GOING STATEWIDE IN REFERENCE TO FILLING OF OUT OF DATE CYLINDERS AND NOT USING SCALES WHEN FILLING CYLINDERS. BEWARE!!!!!!!

#### **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, Monday, October 2, 2000, Mr. John A. Nicholas will be the new inspector who will assume Harold Grayson's area and work load. We hope you will extend the same courtesy to Mr. Nicholas as you did to Mr. Grayson. The Liquefied Petroleum Commission "WELCOMES" Mr. Nicholas to our staff. If you need Mr. Nicholas for exams, inspections, etc., contact the Baton Rouge office until we get his phone/fax line installed.

### \*\*\*\*REMINDER\*\*\*\*REMINDER\*\*\*\*

The L. P. Gas Commission Web Home Page is now "OPERATIONAL". The Internet address is www.dps.state.la.us/lpg/home.html. There are a few "BUGS" to be worked out, however, it is very user-friendly. Most information can be downloaded. All information on the site is current and will be updated daily. The site contains various forms and information such as: the LA Revised Statutes (R. S. 40:1841, etc., for L. P. Gas and R. S. 3:1351, etc., for Anhydrous Ammonia), the Louisiana Administrative Code (Title 55, Chapters 1 & 2 for L. P. Gas, Title 55, Chapter 15 for Anhydrous Ammonia); Application forms to apply for various permits (L. P. Gas, Anhydrous Ammonia, Registrations and Name Changes), Dealer Sketch Form, Installation Report Form, Fire Report Form, Accident Report Form, Monthly Sales and Purchases Form (for both Class 1 and Class 4), Transport/Delivery Truck Waiver of Inspection Form, Reciprocal Examination and Reciprocal Inspection Forms, AD letters current as well as archived. Other communication devices will be added as required. Call the office if you require assistance.

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The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission continued its regular meeting Thursday, October 19, 2000 at 1723 Dallas Drive, Suite A, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman with the following members present:

Mr. James A. Hopson, Chairman

Mr. Kenneth Weber, Vice-Chairman

Mr. Donald Kiper, Commissioner

Mr. John Montecino, Commissioner

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

### 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 November meeting.</u>

Farmer's Gas Co. Inc., P. O. Box 430, Mamou, LA 70554, Docket #000064

1. Did fail to report a fire at the camp of John A. Richard, Port Barre, LA timely as required; thus violating LAC 55:IX.125 (B). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$100.00.

# Butch's Tire & Auto Center, P. O. Box 258-ATTN: Lynn Blanchard, St. Martinville, LA 70582, Docket #000067

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.

## D & K Mini Mart Inc, 104 Lastie-ATTN: Kelly Trahan, Erath, LA 70533, Docket #000068

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>Case dismissed.</u>

### Parker Propane Co., P. O. Box 245-ATTN: Pete Darbonne, DeQuincy, LA 70633, Docket #000073

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 \$1,000.00 suspended \$500.00 provided there are no other violations within twelve (12) months.

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# Southern Producers Coop, P. O. Box 476-ATTN: Donald Manuel, Basile, LA 70515, Docket #000075

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 \$150.00.

# <u>Transcanada Gas Processing USA Inc., Nine Greenway Twrs#2144-ATTN:L. Sykes, Houston, TX 77054, Docket #000078</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 which was suspended.

### Southern RV Inc., 3625 Industrial Drive, Bossier City, LA 71112, Docket #000079

- 1. Did allow employee, Don P. Ponthieux, 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 \$300.00.
- 2. Did allow employee, Don P. Ponthieux, to operate an L. P. Gas installation without obtaining the proper card of competency from the office of the Director; thus violating LAC 55:IX.107(8)(A). Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$100.00.

# Amerigas Propane L. P., 523 Jake Creel Road, Dodson, LA 71422, Docket #000080

1. Did allow employee, Jerry G. Dear, 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 \$300.00.

<u>Dan Boudreaux's Ace Hardware, 4767 Highway 1-ATTN:Daniel Boudreaux, Napoleonville, LA 70390, Docket #000081</u>

1. Did allow employee, Eric L. Klein, 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 \$300.00 and ordered to remain after the meeting for a safety film.

The Banner Store Inc., 801 Jefferson St.-ATTN: Oliver Clement III, Napoleonville, LA 70390, Docket #000082

1. Did allow employee, Warren Dabney, 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 \$300.00 and ordered to remain after the meeting for a safety film.

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Level Energy Transport Inc., 1600 Airways Blvd.-ATTN: Jackie, Hammond, LA 70401, Docket #000083

1. Did allow trailer #369 to park at Abear's Bayou Gold Truck Stop, Toomey, 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 \$250.00 suspended provided there are no other violations within twelve (12) months.

Ferrellgas LP, 3876 Industrial Dr.-ATTN: Al Lanius, Bossier City, LA 71112, Docket #000084

1. Did allow employee, Eric R. Nonette, to operate a cylinder deliver truck 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 November meeting.</u>

Rogers Texaco, 18606 Hwy 9-ATTN: Ulysses Rogers, Arcadia, LA 71001, Docket #000085

1. Did allow employee, Ulysses Rogers, to fill an out of date DOT L. P. Gas cylinder without being requalified; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10). <u>Found guilty in absentia and assessed a penalty of \$400.00</u>.

Backus True Value Hardware, 103 North Service Rd. East-ATTN: Joe Backus, Ruston, LA 71270, Docket #000086

1. Did allow employee, Daniel B. Houck, to fill an out of date DOT L. P. Gas cylinder without being requalified; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10). <u>Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$300.00 and ordered to remain after the meeting for a safety film.</u>

<u>Terzia's Grand Rental Station, 1700 E Kentucky Ave.-ATTN:Leo Terzia, Ruston, LA 71270, Docket #000087</u>

1. Did allow employee, Cory L. Crozier, 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 \$300.00 and ordered to remain after the meeting for a safety film.

2. Did allow employee, Cory L. Crozier, 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. Found guilty and assessed a penalty of \$250.00.

#### **APPLICATIONS**

The following applicants were administratively granted a minor name change and were ratified by the Commission:

Ferrellgas LP(Cl.1) 3876 Industrial Circle Bossier City, LA 71112

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The following applicants were administratively granted a minor name change and were ratified by the Commission:

United Rentals Inc.-Monroe(Cl.6) United Rentals Inc.-Shreveport(Cl.6) 900 Martin Luther King Dr. 2640 Linwood Ave.

Monroe, LA 71203 Shreveport, LA 71103

The following application for major name change was heard and is hereby granted by the Commission pending completion of Commission requirements:

Coastal Field Services Nine Greenway Plaza, Room 2144 Houston, TX 77046

The following application for a Class 2 permit was postponed until the November meeting:

Allen Propane Rt. 4 Box 1324P Livingston, TX 77351

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

Abita's Full Service Inc. Al's Shrimp Co. #1 LLC P. O. Box 1330 840 Vice Rd. Abita Springs, LA 70431 Houma, LA 70363

Adams Country Market Inc. Buquet's Service Center Inc. 20387 Hwy 1061 7164 Grand Caillou Rd. Amite, LA 70422 Dulac, LA 70353

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

Bayou Landing Inc. Murphy USA Inc. 3701 Maplewood Dr. 200 Peach St. Sulphur, LA 70663 El Dorado, AR 71730

Falgout Canal Landing LLC 1868 Dr. Beatrous Rd. Theriot, LA 70397

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The following application for a Class A4 permit was heard and is hereby granted by the Commission pending completion of Commission requirements:

CTI 2626 S. Range Ave. Denham Springs, LA 70726

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FIRES AND ACCIDENTS

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There are no related fires to report.

Several dealers reported four unrelated fires and two unrelated accidents. The fires destroyed two homes, damaged one home, destroyed one mobile home. The fires are believed to be caused from electrical wiring, sparks from a cutting torch, one home was burned to rebuild a new home and one fire the cause was unknown. There was loss of product and injuries were reported.

Two dealers reported accidents involving their company vehicle. One accident occurred when their bobtail was parked at an intersection and a car turned to short and struck their bobtail. Another accident occurred when a plug was removed from an anhydrous ammonia tank and was not returned causing a leak. There was loss of product and no injuries were reported.

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The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission will meet at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 15, 2000 at <u>1723 Dallas Drive</u>, <u>Suite A</u>, <u>Baton Rouge</u>, <u>Louisiana</u>. The meeting is for routine business transpiring during the month and will be continued at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, November 16, 2000 at <u>1723 Dallas Drive</u>, <u>Suite A</u>, <u>Baton Rouge</u>, <u>Louisiana</u>. At the Thursday morning meeting violators will be dealt with and applications will be considered.

### **VIOLATIONS**

## 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.

# Ferrellgas LP, 3876 Industrial Dr.-ATTN: Al Lanius, Bossier City, LA 71112, Docket #000084

1. Did allow employee, Eric R. Nonette, to operate a cylinder deliver truck 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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#### Buddy's Quick Stop, 505 W. Oak St.-ATTN: Tiep Nguyen, Amite, LA 70422, Docket #000088

1. Did allow employee, Tiep Nguyen, to fill an out of date DOT L. P. Gas cylinder, serial #B1628035, without being requalified; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).

### Family Supermarket & Deli, P. O. Box 800-ATTN: Sean Vu, Tickfaw, LA 70466, Docket #000089

1. Did allow employee, Sean Vu, to fill an out of date DOT L. P. Gas cylinder, serial #B1628035, without being requalified; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).

### Three Stooges, 59210 Hwy 51-ATTN: Nam Nguyen, Amite, LA 70422, Docket #000090

- 1. Did allow employee, Doo W. Lee, to fill an out of date DOT L. P. Gas cylinder, serial #B1628035, without being requalified; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).
- 2. Did allow employee, Doo W. Lee, to overfill a 20 lb. L. P. Gas cylinder, serial #B1628035, thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995, 4-4.2.1.

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Robert's Hdw&Lmbr Inc-Mandevl, P. O. Box 657-ATTN:Robert Belloni, Mandeville, LA 70070, Docket #000091

1. Did allow employee, Joseph E. Chapman, to fill an out of date DOT L. P. Gas cylinder, serial #B1628035, without being requalified; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (E)(10).

B & B Grocery & Hardware, 3272 Hwy 1215-ATTN:Mary Labor, Zwolle, LA 71486, Docket #000092

- 1. Did allow employee, Brad Fullerton, 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.
- 2. Did allow employee, Brad Fullerton, to overfill a 60 lb. DOT L. P. Gas cylinder; thus violating LAC 55:IX.181 (A), NFPA 58-1995, 4-4.2.1.

<u>Foster Seafood, 585 N. Foster Dr.-ATTN:James Mangiaforte, Baton Rouge, LA 70806, Docket #000093</u>

1. Did fail to submit payment for civil penalties assessed on Docket #000032 by the L. P. Gas Commission within 30 days after final assessment; thus violating R. S. 40:1848 (B) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

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#### **APPLICATIONS**

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

Mandeville Hardware & Garden Supply(Cl.6) T-Racks LLC(Cl.6) 1837 Florida St. 1077 Hwy. 61 Mandeville, LA 70448 Jackson, LA 70748

The following applicant has applied for a Class 2 permit:

Allen Propane Rt. 4 Box 1324P Livingston, TX 77351

The following applicant has applied for a Class 4 permit:

Tri-State Oil Co. Inc. P. O. Box 220 Belle Chasse, LA 70037

The following applicants have applied for Class 6 permits:

C'est Bon Restaurant Ice House P. O. Box 266 2151 Williams Blvd. Mermentau, LA 70556 Kenner, LA 70062

DeRidder Texaco TNT Welding Sply Co Inc-Morgan City 1316 North Pine St. 7917 Hwy 182 East DeRidder, LA 70634 Morgan City, LA 70380

Goodwood Hardware & Outdoors Wag-A-Pak VIII Inc. 6010 Jones Creek P. O. Box 326 Baton Rouge, LA 70817 Thibodaux, LA 70302

Greyhound Exxon LLC 101 East Russell Welsh, LA 70591

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

E Z Serve Forest Gold Truck Plaza Casino LLC 880 West Commerce Rd., Suite 400 P. O. Box 936 Harahan, LA 70123 Amite, LA 70422

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The following applicant has applied for a Class 8 permit:

TNT Welding Sply Co Inc-Morgan City 7917 Hwy 182 East Morgan City, LA 70380

The following applicant was administratively granted a Class R1 registration pending ratification by the Commission:

Henning Plumbing & Piping LLC P. O. Box 4074 Lake Charles, LA 70606

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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.

NOTICE: ALL APPLICANTS WHETHER FOR NEW PERMITS OR CHANGE OF NAME MUST HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE (OWNER, MANAGER OR OFFICER) AT THE MEETING ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 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

8/5/25, 2:55 PM CHARLES M. FULLER DIRECTOR