# PROOF OF PUBLICATION
## THE STEAMBOAT PILOT

**STATE of COLORADO,** } SS.
**County of Routt,**

I, Holly Hunter, do solemnly swear that I am Bookkeeper of The Steamboat Pilot; that the same is a weekly newspaper printed, in whole or in part, and published in the county of Routt, State of Colorado, and has a general circulation therein; that said newspaper has been published continuously and uninterruptedly in said County of Routt for period of more than fifty-two consecutive weeks next prior to the first publication of the annexed legal notice or advertisement; that said newspaper has been admitted to the United State mails as second-class matter under provisions of the Act of March 3, 1879, or any amendments thereof, and that said newspaper is a weekly newspaper duly qualified for publishing legal notices and advertisements within the meaning of the laws of the State of Colorado.

That the annexed notice or advertisement was published in the regular and entire issue of every number of said weekly newspaper for the period of One .....consecutive insertions; and that the publication of said notice was in the issue of said newpaper dated June 30th....., A.D. 19 99....., and that the last publication of said notice was in the issue of said newspaper dated June 30th....., A.D. 19 99.....

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 30th ..... day of June....., 19 99.....

Holly Hunter

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for the County of Routt, State of Colorado, this 30th ..... day of June....., A.D. 19 99.....

My commision expires September 05, 1999.....

Suzanne Lemieux

Notary Public
P.O. Box 4827, Steamboat Springs, CO 80477

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Any interested party desiring to protest the granting of the application or to intervene should file with the Commission a written protest or a notice to intervene no later than July 2, 1999 briefly stating the basis of the protest or intervention. Such interested party shall, at the same time, serve a copy of the protest or notice to intervene to the person filing the application. An original and nine (9) copies, accompanied by a fee of seventy dollars ($70.00) shall be filed with the Commission.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By: /s/Patricia C. Beaver
Patricia C. Beaver, Secretary

PUBLICATION DATE: June 30, 1999

**BEFORE THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION**
**OF THE STATE OF COLORADO**

IN THE MATTER OF A REQUEST
TO FORECLOSEURES ON OR ) CAUSE NO. 1
INCREASE THE FINANCIAL ASSUURANCE
REQUIREMENT OF THE RULES ) DOCKET NO. 9907-GA-02
AND REGULATIONS OF THE COLORADO
OIL AND GAS CONCSERVATIO )
COMMISSION FOR ALLEN OIL & GAS LLC,
TOW CREEK FIELD, ROUTT )
COUNTY, COLORADO )

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On March 25, 1999 the Commission issued Order No. 1V-170, finding Allen Oil & Gas LLC ("Allen") in violation of Rule 326.b., failure to pass a mechanical integrity test for the following six (6) wells located in the NW1/4 of Section 18, Township 6 North, Range 86 West, 6th P.M.: the Bradley #2, Bradley #3, Bradley #5, State #1, State #2 and the State #5, Rule Nos. 904 and 905, for the Bradley #4 Well and Rule Nos. 603.g., 906., 909.b(2) and (5), and Rule No. 910. for the State #1 Well located in Section 18, Township 6 North, Range 86 West, 6th P.M. It was further ordered that Allen plug and abandon the Bradley #1, Bradley #2, Bradley #3, Bradley #4, Bradley #5, State #1, State #2, State #3 and the State #5 Wells no later than July 1, 1999. In addition, a fine of Twelve Thousand Dollars ($12,000.00) was assessed for the violations, payable within thirty (30) days from the date Order No. 1V-170 was issued. Further, the Cease and Desist Order No. 1C-2 entered by the Commission on January 21, 1999 as of January 14, 1999, shall remain in effect until said order has been fully complied with by Allen Oil & Gas LLC.

As of June 10, 1999, Allen Oil & Gas LLC has not complied with Order No. 1V-170 to plug, abandon and reclaim all wells in the Tow Creek Fields and as of May 24, 1999, Allen has acknowledged that it will not be able to comply with the July 1, 1999 deadline. In accordance with Rule 709., the Director hereby makes application to the Commission for an order calling or foreclosing on Allen Oil & Gas LLC's Thirty Thousand Dollar ($30,000.00) bond to plug, abandon and reclaim the above-described wells. COGCC staff has estimated plugging and reclamation costs in the Tow Creek Field at approximately One Hundred Thirteen Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Five Dollars ($113,275.00)

On May 24, 1999 Allen Oil & Gas LLC, by its attorney, filed with the Commission a verified application for an order to amend Order No. 1V-170 to allow production of oil and gas from certain wells in the Tow Creek Field located in the NW1/4 of Section 18, Township 6 North, Range 86 West, 6th P.M. Allen believes that two (2) and possibly as many as five (5) of the wells in the field can be produced economically in compliance with Commission rules.

In the alternative, should the Commission amend Order No. 1V-170 to allow Allen to produce certain wells in the Tow Creek Field, the Director, in accordance with Rule 702.a., petitions the Commission for an increase in the financial assurance provided by Allen to the Commission.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado, pursuant to the above, has rescheduled the above-entitled matter for hearing on:

Date: Monday, July 12, 1999
Tuesday, July 13, 1999
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Place: Suite 801, The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln Street
Denver, CO 80203

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if any party requires special accommodations as a result of a disability for this hearing, please contact Ginger Morelli at (303)894-2100 ext. 114, prior to the hearing and arrangements will be made.

Pursuant to said hearing in the above-entitled matter at the time and place aforesaid, or at any adjourned meeting, the Commission will enter such orders as it deems appropriate to prevent the waste of oil and gas, either or both, in the operations of said field, and to carry out the purposes of