

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ENERGY, MINERALS, AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS  
COMMISSIONER HEARING  
Agenda Items 1 through 4 and 6 through 9  
December 11, 2019  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

BEFORE: ADRIENNE SANDOVAL, CHAIRWOMAN  
NIRANJAN KHALSA, COMMISSIONER  
DR. THOMAS ENGLER, COMMISSIONER  
MIGUEL LOZANO, ESQ.

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission on Wednesday, December 11, 2019, at the New Mexico Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources Department, Wendell Chino Building, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Porter Hall, Room 102, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

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1 (Note: In open proceedings at 9:00 a.m.)

2 CHAIRWOMAN SANDOVAL: Good morning, everybody. I  
3 will call this meeting to order. It's 9 a.m. on December  
4 11, 2019. This is the meeting of the New Mexico Oil  
5 Conservation Commission. I'm Adrienne Sandoval, director of  
6 the Oil Conservation Division and chair of the Oil  
7 Conservation Commission.

8 Will the Commissioners introduce themselves for  
9 the record.

10 COMMISSIONER KHALSA: Naranjan Khalsa, State Land  
11 Office.

12 COMMISSIONER ENGLER: Tom Engler, designate from  
13 the Secretary of Energy.

14 CHAIRWOMAN SANDOVAL: Also with us is Florene  
15 Davidson, clerk to the Commission, and Miguel Lozano,  
16 counsel for the Commission.

17 There is a list of items on today's agenda on the  
18 docket. Is there a motion and second to adopt the agenda?

19 COMMISSIONER ENGLER: I motion to approve the  
20 agenda.

21 COMMISSIONER KHALSA: Motion to approve the  
22 agenda.

23 CHAIRWOMAN SANDOVAL: Sorry, before we approve  
24 the agenda, we want to make a small amendment. Case Number  
25 20795 will now be continued to the February 27, 2020 docket

1 and will not be heard today.

2 With that modification, is there a motion and a  
3 second to adopt the amended agenda.

4 COMMISSIONER ENGLER: I so move the amended  
5 agenda.

6 COMMISSIONER KHALSA: I so move the amended.

7 CHAIRWOMAN SANDOVAL: All those in favor signify  
8 by saying aye.

9 Aye.

10 COMMISSIONER ENGLER: Aye.

11 COMMISSIONER KHALSA: Aye.

12 (Ayes unanimous.)

13 CHAIRWOMAN SANDOVAL: The motion carries. In  
14 your packet are the draft minutes from the November 6  
15 meeting. If you have read the minutes, are there any  
16 corrections?

17 COMMISSIONER ENGLER: I have read them and there  
18 are no corrections.

19 CHAIRWOMAN SANDOVAL: Is there a motion and a  
20 second to adopt the minutes?

21 COMMISSIONER ENGLER: I move.

22 COMMISSIONER KHALSA: I move.

23 CHAIRWOMAN SANDOVAL: All those in favor signify  
24 by saying aye.

25 COMMISSIONER KHALSA: Aye.

1 COMMISSIONER ENGLER: Aye.

2 (Ayes unanimous.)

3 CHAIRWOMAN SANDOVAL: The motion carries. Agenda  
4 Item Number 4 will be continued to February 27, 2020. And  
5 Agenda Item Number 5, Case Number 20780 will now be heard.

6 (Agenda Item Number 5, Case Number 20780 was  
7 heard and concluded.)

8 CHAIRWOMAN SANDOVAL: Now we will move on to Item  
9 Number 6.

10 Mr. Lozano, is there anything to report on the  
11 Commission's pending litigation?

12 MR. LOZANO: The only change recently was that in  
13 the Delaware matter, the judge -- we had a hearing scheduled  
14 for January 6 on a motion to stay. All of the briefing is  
15 complete in that case, and the judge decided to hold a  
16 hearing on both the full case, the merits, and the motion to  
17 stay and move that to December 30. So that remains that we  
18 will be having oral arguments on December 30. Other than  
19 that, there is nothing to report to the Commission.

20 CHAIRWOMAN SANDOVAL: Thank you. Are there any  
21 other business or announcements?

22 (No response.)

23 CHAIRWOMAN SANDOVAL: The next meeting is January  
24 2 of 2020. That will be a special hearing on the penalties  
25 rule, and January 16 will be the regularly-scheduled

1 Commission hearing.

2 If there is no other business before the  
3 Commission, this meeting is adjourned at 3:33.

4 (Agenda hearing concluded 3:33 p.m.)

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16 nor related to any of the parties or attorneys in this case  
17 and that I have no interest in the final disposition of this  
18 case.

19 Dated this 11th day of December 2019.

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