

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION
DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF
CONSIDERING:**

**APPLICATION OF CIMAREX ENERGY CO.
OF COLORADO TO REINSTATE INJECTION
AUTHORITY, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. 14994
ORDER NO. R-13934-A**

ORDER OF THE DIVISION TO STAY INJECTION AUTHORITY

BY THE DIVISION:

NOW, on this 8th day of December, 2014, the Division Director, having considered George Ross Ranch's Amended Motion for Re-hearing,

FINDS THAT:

(1) On November 19, 2014, the Division issued Order No. R-13934, granting Cimarex Energy Co. (Cimarex) the authority to inject into Amoco Fed. Well No. 1, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(2) On December 3, 2014, George Ross Ranch filed an Amended Motion for Re-hearing in the matter citing:

- a. A July 17, 2014 wellbore failure of Amoco Fed. Well No. 1 and subsequent reporting of the failure to the Division's Artesia office, and
- b. As of the date of this December 3, 2014 Motion, Cimarex is still planning to plug and abandon Amoco Fed. Well No. 1.

(3) A review of Division's files shows that the Division's Artesia District office did receive notice of the wellbore failure on July 17, 2014.

(4) A review of Division files shows that the Division did receive a Notice of Intent to Plug and Abandon approved by the BLM on August 5, 2014, and forwarded by the BLM to the Division's Artesia District office on August 19, 2014.

(5) The information provided by George Ross Ranch's Amended Motion for Re-hearing indicates that Division Order No. R-13934 should not have been granted without further evidence and testimony.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

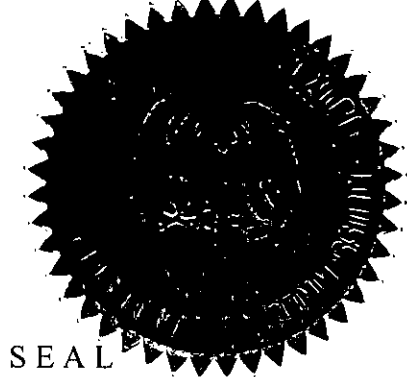
(1) An immediate stay is issued and Cimarex DOES NOT have the authority to inject until this matter is resolved.

(2) Cimarex has ten (10) days from the issuance of this Order to respond to George Ross Ranch's Amended Motion for Re-hearing and request a hearing.

(3) As George Ross Ranch's Amended Motion for Re-hearing was filed in a timely manner pursuant to 19.15.4.23 NMAC, Order No. R-13934 is not a final Order.

(4) If Cimarex does not respond as to why George Ross Ranch's Motion should be denied within ten (10) days from the issuance of this Order, the relief sought in George Ross Ranch's Motion will be granted, and the granting of injection authority will be withdrawn.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.



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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Scott Dawson".

SCOTT DAWSON
Acting Director