

1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
2 ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
3 OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

4 ORIGINAL

5 REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

6 PRE-HEARING TRANSCRIPT

7 October 30, 2014

8 Santa Fe, New Mexico

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12 BEFORE: PHILLIP GOETZE, CHIEF EXAMINER  
13 KEITH HERMANN, LEGAL EXAMINER  
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16 This matter came on for hearing before the  
17 New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, Phillip Goetze,  
18 Chief Examiner, and Keith Hermann, Legal Examiner, on  
19 Thursday, October 30, 2014, at the New Mexico Energy,  
20 Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Wendell Chino  
21 Building, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Porter Hall,  
22 Room 102, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

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1 (8:21 a.m.)

2 EXAMINER GOETZE: Good morning, ladies and  
3 gentlemen. This is the Oil Conservation -- Oil  
4 Conservation Division Examiner hearings for Thursday,  
5 October 30th, 2014, Docket Number 33-14.

6 First item of business is the changes in  
7 docket cases. First the uncontested cases, on page 3,  
8 Case 15215 has been continued to November 20th. Case  
9 15229 has been continued to November 20th. Case  
10 15230 -- and that's the WPX Energy Production case --  
11 has also been continued to November 20th.

12 Next, the contested cases, 15224. Is  
13 Mr. Hall here? No.

14 Mr. Bruce?

15 MR. BRUCE: Yes, sir.

16 EXAMINER GOETZE: We're going to go with a  
17 continuance, December 4th, as originally proposed.  
18 Hopefully everyone will be able to attend at that time.

19 MR. BRUCE: I won't ask for another one.

20 EXAMINER GOETZE: Very good. I appreciate  
21 that.

22 Well, Mr. Hall, Scott, is not here, so we  
23 will make that an e-mail and addressed to him.

24 Now for the three cases, the gentlemen that  
25 are representing BOPCO, Chevron and -- let's see --

1 OXY -- we've had Case 15192.

2 Mr. Larson, you've asked for -- requested a  
3 December 4th continuance. Any reason why after we've  
4 submitted a grievant [sic] already into record?

5 MR. LARSON: I had submitted a proposed  
6 order, Mr. Examiner, and it hasn't been issued yet, so  
7 the case can't be dismissed until the order --

8 EXAMINER GOETZE: Oh, I understand that,  
9 but you've asked for -- this will be our fourth  
10 continuance. Seeing how we're having a whole day  
11 discussion about SWDs, would it be adverse to have that  
12 also included in the special docket?

13 MR. LARSON: There is nothing to hear.

14 EXAMINER GOETZE: I know there is nothing  
15 to hear, but --

16 MR. LARSON: I'm fine with that.

17 EXAMINER GOETZE: Okay. Let's do that  
18 then.

19 Okay. Gentlemen, what do we got?

20 MR. FELDEWERT: Mr. Examiner, Michael  
21 Feldewert, with Holland & Hart, here on behalf of OXY  
22 USA and Chevron U.S.A.

23 Mr. Larson and I have conferred. We've  
24 also met with our clients. And we would propose, if you  
25 could -- if the Division could do it, having the hearing

1 on December 9th. That's the date that all of our  
2 witnesses -- at least Chevron and OXY, all of our  
3 witnesses can be available on that date.

4 EXAMINER GOETZE: (Indicating.)

5 MR. LARSON: Mr. Examiner, Gary Larson for  
6 BOPCO. My witnesses would also be available on Monday,  
7 December 9th.

8 EXAMINER GOETZE: This is incredibly  
9 simple, gentlemen. As such, let's go ahead. Cases  
10 15192, Case 15231 and Case 15219 will be heard December  
11 9th, Tuesday, out of docket, special.

12 MR. FELDEWERT: Thank you.

13 MR. LARSON: Thank you very much.

14 EXAMINER GOETZE: Very good, gentlemen.

15 And since we are now doing a new process, I  
16 believe we're going to expedite things by going first  
17 with items that have been submitted by affidavit or by  
18 exhibits prior to hearing.

19 (The pre-hearing proceedings conclude, 8:42  
20 a.m.)

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the proceedings in the Examiner hearing of Case No. 15215, 15229, 15230, 15224, 15192, 15231, 15219 heard by me on October 30, 2014.  
*Phillip A. [Signature]*, Examiner  
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I, MARY C. HANKINS, New Mexico Certified Court Reporter No. 20, and Registered Professional Reporter, do hereby certify that I reported the foregoing proceedings in stenographic shorthand and that the foregoing pages are a true and correct transcript of those proceedings that were reduced to printed form by me to the best of my ability.

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I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am neither employed by nor related to any of the parties or attorneys in this case and that I have no interest in the final disposition of this case.



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