

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

4 IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED
5 BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR
6 THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

7 APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING, CASE NO. 15680
8 LLC FOR A NONSTANDARD SPACING
9 AND PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY
10 POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

11 REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

12 EXAMINER HEARING

13 May 25, 2017

14 Santa Fe, New Mexico

15 BEFORE: SCOTT DAWSON, CHIEF EXAMINER
16 PHILLIP GOETZE, TECHNICAL EXAMINER
17 DAVID K. BROOKS, LEGAL EXAMINER

18 This matter came on for hearing before the
19 New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, Scott Dawson,
20 Chief Examiner, Phillip Goetze, Technical Examiner, and
21 David K. Brooks, Legal Examiner, on Thursday, May 25,
22 2017, at the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural
23 Resources Department, Wendell Chino Building, 1220 South
24 St. Francis Drive, Porter Hall, Room 102, Santa Fe, New
25 Mexico.

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1 (9:25 a.m.)

2 EXAMINER DAWSON: Okay. We'll go back on
3 the record now. It's 9:25, approximately. And we'll
4 continue. We'll go down the list on the first page,
5 throughout the list.

6 And so the next case coming up will be on
7 page 2 of 7, number three. That's Case 15680. This is
8 continued from the April 27th, 2017 Examiner Hearing,
9 and it's the application of COG Operating, LLC for a
10 nonstandard spacing and proration unit and compulsory
11 pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.

12 Call for appearances.

13 MS. KESSLER: Mr. Examiner, my name is
14 Jordan Kessler, from the Santa Fe office of Holland &
15 Hart, on behalf of the Applicant.

16 This case was heard a month ago. At that
17 time we presented three witnesses: The landman, a
18 geologist and an engineer. As you may recall, there was
19 an issue with unmarketable title. There was an heir
20 that had been identified that had not been noticed at
21 the time.

22 We have included Exhibit 16, which is the
23 next sequential exhibit, an affidavit from my office and
24 attached a letter providing notice to that heir, William
25 Hollis, who is potentially identified as owning an

1 interest. He has been notified. There is a green card
2 returned.

3 And I'd ask this case be taken under
4 advisement.

5 EXAMINER DAWSON: Okay.

6 EXAMINER BROOKS: Is this the only heir
7 that you know about that had not been noticed
8 previously?

9 MS. KESSLER: That's correct. All of the
10 other heirs that we had identified as potentially having
11 an interest have been identified.

12 EXAMINER BROOKS: Okay. Thank you.

13 EXAMINER DAWSON: Do you have any
14 questions, Mr. Goetze?

15 EXAMINER GOETZE: No questions.

16 EXAMINER DAWSON: I have no questions
17 myself.

18 So Case Number 15680 will be taken under
19 advisement.

20 Thank you, Ms. Kessler.

21 MS. KESSLER: Thank you.

22 (Case Number 15680 concludes, 9:28 a.m.)
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1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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4 CERTIFICATE OF COURT REPORTER

5 I, MARY C. HANKINS, Certified Court
6 Reporter, New Mexico Certified Court Reporter No. 20,
7 and Registered Professional Reporter, do hereby certify
8 that I reported the foregoing proceedings in
9 stenographic shorthand and that the foregoing pages are
10 a true and correct transcript of those proceedings that
11 were reduced to printed form by me to the best of my
12 ability.

13 I FURTHER CERTIFY that the Reporter's
14 Record of the proceedings truly and accurately reflects
15 the exhibits, if any, offered by the respective parties.

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

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