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

APPLICATIONS OF NOVO OIL &GAS NORTHERN DELAWARE, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE No. 21275 CASE No. 21276 ORDER No. R-21420

ORDER REGARDING VIRTUAL/TELEPHONIC HEARING

The parties are hereby notified that due to the Covid-19 virus outbreak within the state and the Governor's current public health orders and restrictions, the hearings before the Oil Conservation ("Commission") currently scheduled for August 13, 2020 will be consolidated for hearing and will occur via telephonic/virtual means during a regular meeting of the Commission held in the same format. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. on August 13, 2020. The parties may attend the meeting through the Webex Meeting application using the following link and/or meeting information:

Webex Meeting Link:

https://nmemnrd.webex.com/nmemnrd/j.php?MTID=m53addb417ad1386a3bd2061d42be7f90 Meeting ID: 146 785 2829 Password: MbSjX3Z2en8

> <u>Telephone Access</u> 1-408-418-9388 Access Code: 146 785 2829

In addition to the Commission rules for adjudications found in NMAC 19.15.4, parties shall adhere to the following special rules for the purposes of this virtual/telephonic hearing:

1. <u>All parties must submit any potential exhibits to Commission Clerk, Florene</u> <u>Davidson, in digital format by 12:00 p.m. on August 12, 2020 so that the exhibits may</u> <u>be provided to each of the Commissioners prior to the meeting.</u>

- 2. As a courtesy to the Commission and others listening, any non-party attendees will be muted during the course of the hearing unless and until they are testifying before the Commission.
- 3. All party participants must identify themselves whenever they begin addressing the Commission or a witness and must be clearly audible to the Commission, the witness, and to the public.
- 4. Party participants shall refrain from any speaking objections and should avoid speaking over one another as much as possible.
- 5. The Chair will suspend the meeting if a disruption in the audio or video occurs during the course of the hearing.
- 6. If at any time during the hearing or as part of deliberations, the Commission decides to enter into executive session, the Commissioners will leave the public meeting and join a private meeting. The public meeting line will remain open during executive session and all party participants should remain on the public meeting line during executive session unless a formal recess is called by the Chair.
- 7. All party attorneys must remain connected to the hearing at all times. The absence of a party attorney will force the Chair to immediately recess the hearing until such time as the attorney rejoins the meeting. Any significant delay in the hearing due to a failed connection or other cause of absence may result in a continuance of the hearing.
- 8. All witnesses must be available on the hearing program when called. Should the witness exclusion rule be invoked, attorneys should ensure that all potential witnesses be available until the completion of their testimony. Any witness that may be recalled by an attorney must continue to remain available throughout the hearing. Any witnesses failed connection or other cause of absence may result in a continuance of the hearing.
- 9. Should any connection problem occur during the meeting which prohibits public attendance or attendance of any Commissioner, party, attorney, or witness, the meeting will be immediately recessed and the Chair will determine if the meeting can continue with full public access. Should public access be impeded, the hearing will be continued.
- 10. Parties unable to adhere to these rules or any other Commission rules for adjudications due to the telephonic/virtual format of this hearing or any other reason related to the current public health emergency should request a continuance of this hearing as soon as possible.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on this 3rd day of August 2020.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

ADRIENNE SANDOVAL, M.E., CHAIR

SEAL