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## 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:

CASE NOS: 21549, 21550

APPLICATION OF Novo OIL & GAS NORTHERN DELAWARE LLC, TO AMEND ORDER R-21092, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

DECEMBER 17, 2020

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

This matter came on for virtual hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, HEARING OFFICER FELICIA ORTH and TECHNICAL EXAMINER JOHN GARCIA on December 17, 2020, through the Webex Platform.

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1 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Let's move to a couple of

- 2 affidavit cases, 21549 and 21550. The applicant is Novo Oil
- 3 and Gas. These applications seek to amend orders earlier
- 4 issued. The well name is Ovation Fed Com. Who is here from
- 5 Holland & Hart for the applicant?
- 6 MS. LUCK: Good morning, Madam Examiner. Kaitlyn
- 7 Luck with the Santa Fe office of Holland & Hart on behalf of
- 8 the applicant in this case Novo Oil & Gas Northern Delaware
- 9 LLC.
- 10 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Good morning, Ms. Luck.
- 11 I didn't see any other entry of appearance in the file, but
- 12 let me pause for a moment to see if there are any other
- 13 entries this morning.
- 14 (No audible response.)
- 15 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: I don't hear anything.
- 16 If you would go ahead, please, Ms. Luck.
- 17 MS. LUCK: Thank you. These cases were
- 18 originally brought to hearing in front of the Division on
- 19 December 3, and as reflected in the affidavit of Braden
- 20 Patrick which was included as Exhibit C to the hearing
- 21 packet for these two cases, Novo recently discovered
- 22 additional overriding royalty interest owners in the spacing
- 23 unit that require pooling. And for that reason, Novo
- 24 requested to continue these cases to the provide notice to
- 25 those overriding royalty interest owners.

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1 So on Tuesday Novo filed with the Division its

- 2 Novo Exhibit E-1 which reflects that notice of this hearing
- 3 was provided to those additional overriding royalty interest
- 4 owners that Novo seeks to pool into these two orders.
- 5 And with that, I would move the the admission of
- 6 Novo Exhibit E-1 and request that both of these cases be
- 7 taken under advisement at this time.
- 8 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Thank you, Ms. Luck.
- 9 Mr. Garcia, do you have questions of Ms. Luck.
- 10 TECHNICAL EXAMINER GARCIA: So Case 21549 and
- 21550, they are being extended, Ms. Luck, into the N/2 of
- 12 Section 13; is that correct?
- 13 MS. LUCK: I think it's actually into the N/2 of
- 14 Section 18. These were originally just one mile spacing
- 15 units in the N/2 of Section 13, so now we are seeking to
- 16 extend into Section 18.
- 17 TECHNICAL EXAMINER GARCIA: Is there any previous
- 18 orders or anything from the Division regarding -- regarding
- 19 the new land?
- 20 MS. LUCK: I don't think that there is other
- 21 pooling orders that overlap that acreage. Novo was unable
- 22 to reach an agreement with the interest owners or the
- interest owner in that acreage, and that's why Novo seeks to
- 24 pool that additional N/2 section so that Novo can drill two
- 25 mile wells.

Page 5 TECHNICAL EXAMINER GARCIA: That's all the questions I have. HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Thank you, Mr. Garcia. Thank you, Ms. Luck. Your exhibits are admitted and these two matters will be taken under advisement. MS. LUCK: Thank you. (Exhibits admitted.) (Taken under advisement.) 

Page 6 STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF BERNALILLO 2. 3 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE 5 I, IRENE DELGADO, New Mexico Certified Court 6 7 Reporter, CCR 253, do hereby certify that I reported the 8 foregoing virtual proceedings in stenographic shorthand and 9 that the foregoing pages are a true and correct transcript 10 of those proceedings to the best of my ability. I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am neither employed by 11 nor related to any of the parties or attorneys in this case 12 13 and that I have no interest in the final disposition of this 14 case. 15 I FURTHER CERTIFY that the Virtual Proceeding was of poor to good quality. 16 Dated this 17th day of December 2020. 17 18 /s/ Irene Delgado 19 Irene Delgado, NMCCR 253 20 License Expires: 12-31-20 2.1 22 23 2.4 25