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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:

Application of STEWARD ENERGY II, for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico

Case No. 22406

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 2022

EXAMINER HEARING

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, William Brancard, Esq. Hearing Examiner, John Garcia Technical Examiner, on Thursday, January 6 2022, via Webex Virtual Conferencing Platform hosted by the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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- 1 (Time noted 10:38 a.m.)
- EXAMINER BRANCARD: With that is Case 22406,
- 3 Steward Energy.
- 4 MS. HARDY: Yes, Mr. Examiner. Dana Hardy on
- 5 behalf of Steward.
- 6 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Are there any other
- 7 interested persons here for Case 22406?
- 8 Hearing none, you may proceed, Ms. Hardy.
- 9 MS. HARDY: Thank you. Steward seeks an Order
- 10 pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within the San
- 11 Andres Formation underlying a 160-acre standard horizontal
- 12 spacing unit comprised of the southwest quarter of the
- 13 northwest quarter and west half of the southwest quarter
- of Section 23, and the northwest quarter of the northwest
- 15 quarter of Section 26, Township 12 South, Range 38 East in
- 16 Lea County, and proposes to dedicate the unit to the
- 17 Trinity State Com 16-23 #5H well.
- We've provided in support of the
- 19 application the affidavits of landman Taylor Warren and
- 20 geologist Shane Seals. Mr. Warren provides the standard
- 21 land exhibits, and A-3 to his affidavit provides the tract
- 22 ownership and identifies the pooled parties. The Hearing
- 23 Notice Letter and Return Receipts are included in Exhibit
- 24 A-6, and the Affidavit of Publication is provided in
- 25 Exhibit A-7.

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1 Mr. Seals' affidavit provides the standard

- 2 geology exhibits: A Location Map, Structure Map, Cross
- 3 Section and Gun Barrel.
- 4 Unless there are questions I request that
- 5 the exhibits be admitted into the record and that the case
- 6 be taken under advisement.
- 7 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you.
- 8 Mr. Garcia, any questions?
- 9 EXAMINER GARCIA: Do your exhibits contain
- 10 explanation that the northwest quarter of the north
- 11 quarter are moved out and if it's going to be stranded in
- 12 the top 40 acres in Section 21? I can't read it above the
- 13 northwest of the (inaudible)
- 14 MS. HARDY Our exhibits don't address that
- 15 issue. I believe it is because the acreage had been
- 16 developed or is included and of is included in another
- 17 spacing unit. But I can verify that, if you would like.
- 18 EXAMINER GARCIA: Yeah, if you would get
- 19 something showing that, that would be great.
- MS. HARDY: I will. Thank you.
- 21 EXAMINER BRANCARD: With that, Case No. 22406,
- the exhibits will be admitted and the case will be taken
- 23 under advisement.
- But Ms. Hardy, you're going to address
- 25 potential stranding of acreage here?

Page 5 MS. HARDY: That's correct. I will do that, Mr. Examiner. EXAMINER GARCIA: I ask it also addresses the, uh, (inaudible) below the first take point, too, just because only one 40-acre tract (inaudible) half the section? MS. HARDY: Thank you. I will do that. EXAMINER BRANCARD: Anything further, Mr. Garcia? EXAMINER GARCIA: No, that's it. Thank you. EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. (Time noted 10:39 a.m.)

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