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ENERGY, MINERALS, AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission, on August 25, 2016, at the New Mexico Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources Department, Wendell Chino Building, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Porter Hall, Room 102, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

BEFORE: DAVID CATENACH, COMMISSION CHAIR  
PATRICK PADILLA, COMMISSIONER  
DR. ROBERT BALCH, COMMISSIONER  
WILLIAM BRANCARD, ESQ., COMMISSION COUNSEL

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1 (Time noted: 9:00 a.m.)

2 COMMISSION CATENACH: Good morning. This is a  
3 meeting for the New Mexico oil Conservation Commission.

4 My name is David Catenach. I'm the  
5 chairman of the Commission and Director of the Oil  
6 Conservation Division. The time is 9:00 a.m. and today's  
7 date is August 25, 2015.

8 This meeting is being conducted in Porter  
9 Hall within the Wendell Chino State Building.

10 At this time I would take role. Would the  
11 commissioners please introduce themselves for the record.

12 COMMISSIONER PADILLA: Patrick Padilla,  
13 designee for the New Mexico State Land Commissioner.

14 COMMISSIONER BALCH: Dr. Robert Balch, designee  
15 of the Secretary of Energy and Minerals.

16 COMMISSIONER CATENACH: Also present today is  
17 Mr. Bill Brancard, Commission attorney and General Council  
18 of the Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department.

19 Commissioners, in your packet today you  
20 should see an agenda for today's meeting. If you have  
21 reviewed the agenda, do you have a motion to adopt today's  
22 agenda?

23 COMMISSIONER PADILLA: So moved.

24 COMMISSIONER BALCH: And seconded.

25 COMMISSIONER CATENACH: All in favor?

1 COMMISSIONER BALCH: Aye.

2 COMMISSIONER Padilla: Aye.

3 COMMISSIONER CATENACH: Aye.

4 Also in your packet are draft minutes from  
5 the August 8, 2016 Commission meeting. Commissioners, at  
6 this time do you have any changes to the minutes, and, if  
7 not, is there a motion and a second to adopt the minutes?

8 COMMISSIONER BALCH: I have no changes and I  
9 move to adopt the minutes.

10 COMMISSIONER PADILLA: I would second that  
11 motion.

12 COMMISSIONER CATENACH: All in favor?

13 COMMISSIONER BALCH: Aye.

14 COMMISSIONER PADILLA: Aye.

15 COMMISSIONER CATENACH: Aye.

16 The motion to adopt the minutes of the  
17 August 8 Commission meeting is passed.

18 (Time noted 9:06 a.m.)

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