

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION

Ranne B. Miller Alice T. Lorenz Stephen M. Williams Stephan M. Vidmar Seth V. Bingham Timothy R. Briggs Rudolph Lucero Deborah A. Solove Gary L. Gordon Lawrence R. White Virginia Anderman Marte D. Lightstone J. Scott Hall* Thomas R. Mack Thomas M. Domme

Ruth O. Pregenzer Jeffrev E. Jones James J. Widland Bradley D. Tepper** Robin A. Goble James R. Wood Dana M. Kyle Kirk R. Allen Ruth Fuess H. Brook Laskey Paula G. Maynes M. Dylan O'Reilly Jennifer D. Hall

Todd A. Schwarz

Nell Graham Sale

Scott P. Hatcher Ann M. Conway Randall J. McDonald Robert H. Clark Richard L. Alvidrez Kelsey D. Green Marcy Baysinger Caroline Blankenship Matthew S. Rappaport Karen E. Wootton Somer K. Chyz Joseph L. Romero Kelly A. Stone Deron B. Knoner Patricia A. Bradley * Board Certified Specialist: Natural Resources - Oil & Gas Law ** Board Certified Specialist: Real Estate Law

Amy P. Hauser Rebecca M. Alves

Counsel

James B. Collins Robert D. Taichert

Of Counsel

William K. Stratvert Sharon P. Gross

Reply to Santa Fe

150 Washington Ave., Suite 300 Santa Fe, NM 87501

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1986

Santa Fe, NM 87504-1986

Telephone: (505) 989-9614 Facsimile: (505) 989-9857

Writer's Direct E-Mail: shall@mstlaw.com

May 12, 2006

HAND-DELIVERED

Ms. Florene Davidson New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico

NMOCD Case No. 1373; Application of Energen Resources Corporation for

Compulsory Pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Florene:

Re:

Enclosed for filing in reference to the captioned matter is an original and one copy of an Application for compulsory pooling submitted on behalf of Energen Resources. Also enclosed in hard copy and on disk is a proposed advertisement.

Very truly yours.

MILLER STRATVERT P.A.

7.1 my leel

J. Scott Hall

JSH/glb **Enclosures**

G:\Data\Clients\6621\37165\Correspondence\Davidson^051206.doc

LAW OFFICES

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ENERGEN RESOURCES CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO 記 CASE NO. <u>/ 表 3.3.3</u>

APPLICATION

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORPORATION, by its undersigned attorneys, Miller, Stratvert P.A., (J. Scott Hall) hereby makes application pursuant to NMSA 1978 Section 70-2-17 (1995) for an order pooling all interests in the Mesaverde formation, Blanco-Mesaverde Pool, underlying the W/2 of Section 2, Township 25 North, Range 3 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to form a standard 356.75 acre gas spacing and proration unit. Applicant would show the Division:

- 1. Applicant owns certain working interests in and under the W/2 of Section 2, and has the right to drill thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to dedicate the above-referenced pooled unit to its McCroden C #1 Well previously drilled to the Gallup/Dakota formation at surface and bottom-hole locations 2146' from the south line and 1650' from the west line and re-complete the well in order to test the Mesaverde formation underlying the W/2 of Section 2, Township 25 North, Range 34 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- 3. Applicant has been unable to obtain leases or voluntary agreement for pooling or farmout from certain other interest owners in the above-referenced formations underlying the W/2 of said Section 2.

4. In order to permit the Applicant to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, the mineral interests should be pooled and Applicant should be designated operator of the well.

5. The pooling of interests will afford the Applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of hydrocarbons underlying the spacing unit, will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste and will protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE Applicant requests that this Application be set for hearing before a duly appointed examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on June 22, 2006 and that after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its Order pooling the lands, including provisions for Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the well, its costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, including overhead charges and providing for adjustments to such rates in accordance with accepted COPAS accounting procedures, and imposing a 200% risk factor for the risk assumed by the Applicant in drilling, completing and equipping the well, and making such other and further provisions as maybe proper in the premises.

MILLER STRATVERT P.A.

By:

J. Scott Hall

Attorneys for Energen Resources Corporation

1. I wan thall

Post Office Box 1986

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-1986

(505) 989-9614

G:\Data\Clients\6621\New Matters Pending\McCrodenApplication.doc

Proposed Advertisement

Case No. 137, Application of Energen Resources Corporation for compulsory pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Mesaverde formation, Blanco Mesaverde Pool, underlying the W/2 of Section 2, Township 25 North, Range 3 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to form a standard 356.75-acre gas spacing and proration unit. Said unit is to be dedicated to Applicant's McCroden C # 1 Well drilled from a surface and bottom-hole location 2146' from the south line and 1650' from the west line and recompleted in the Mesaverde formation underlying the W/2 of said Section 2. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and recompleting said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Energen Resources Corporation as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling and recompleting said well. The well location is approximately 4 miles east of Oiito, New Mexico.