#### 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 NO. 13,752
APPLICATION OF LCX ENERGY, LLC,
FOR APPROVAL OF A UNIT AGREEMENT,

EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

BEFORE:

ORIGINAL

# REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

# EXAMINER HEARING

RICHARD EZEANYIM, Hearing Examiner

July 20th, 2006

Santa Fe, New Mexico

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This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, RICHARD EZEANYIM, Hearing Examiner, on Thursday, July 20th, 2006, at the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, 1220 South Saint Francis Drive, Room 102, Santa Fe, New Mexico, Steven T. Brenner, Certified Court Reporter No. 7 for the State of New Mexico.

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WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had at 10:28 a.m.:

EXAMINER EZEANYIM: Okay, at this point I call

Case Number 13,752. This is the Application of LCX Energy,

LLC, for approval of a unit agreement, Eddy County, New

Mexico.

Call for appearances.

MR. HALL: Mr. Examiner, Scott Hall, Miller
Stratvert, PA, firm, Santa Fe, on behalf of the Applicant,
LCX Energy, LLC. We'll be presenting this case today for
unit approval by way of affidavit. I have no witnesses.

EXAMINER EZEANYIM: Any other appearances?
Okay, you may proceed.

MR. HALL: Mr. Examiner, LCX Energy, LLC, is seeking Division approval of the unit and unit agreement for its proposed Collins Ranch State Exploratory Unit, covering the following sections in Township 17 South, Range 24 East. They include the southeast quarter of Section 30, the east half of Section 31, and all of Section 32.

I've provided you with what we've marked as

Exhibit 1. It is the affidavit of Dave Kvasnicka, who is

the geologist with LCX in charge of this project. And if

you would go through that affidavit, he explains the

purpose of the unit is to explore for the Wolfcamp

formation which they propose to access through horizontal

drills throughout the unit. I believe they will be completed in four-stage fracture completions throughout the unit.

Attached to Exhibit 1 is Attachment A, which is a copy of the unit agreement, and it is signed by 100 percent of the working interest owners in the unit. It is on the State of New Mexico approved form.

Attachment B to the affidavit is a land plat showing the boundaries of the unit area. It also shows the location of the initial unit well, the Collins Ranch State Unit Number 1, on there.

Attachment C to the affidavit is, in fact,
Schedule B from the unit agreement, which sets forth the
ownership, mineral working interest and overrides
throughout.

Attachment D to the affidavit is the preliminary approval letter issued by the State Land Office on July 3rd, 2006.

Also included are Exhibits E and F. They are -Exhibit E is the isopach map, and Exhibit F is the crosssection, which are to accompany the geologic narrative
that's set forth in Mr. Kvasnicka's affidavit.

With that -- One more exhibit is our Exhibit 2.

Make sure I get that in the record. That is our notice

affidavit. We notified the State Land Office only, as 100

percent of the working interest owners have already 1 ratified and approved the unit agreement. 2 That concludes our presentation, Mr. Examiner. 3 We'd move the admission of Exhibits 1 and 2. 4 EXAMINER EZEANYIM: Exhibits 1 and 2 are admitted 5 into evidence. 6 You said everybody has agreed and signed up to 7 the unit, right? 8 MR. HALL: Yes, sir. 9 EXAMINER EZEANYIM: Then why you come in to have 10 a unit agreement, if everybody has signed for it? 11 MR. HALL: It is a requirement of the State Land 12 13 Office that we obtain OCD approval before they will issue their final approval to the unit. But it's a good question 14 otherwise, I agree. 15 I mean, you know, I EXAMINER EZEANYIM: Yes. 16 17 asked myself that question. If 100 percent of the people participating in the unit have signed for it, I don't see 18 19 the reason why that you come here, but you answered my 20 question. And I think I knew the answer before, but I 21 wanted to ask to see why -- maybe you will give me a different answer. Maybe, I don't know, but --22 23 MR. HALL: I will next time. 24 EXAMINER EZEANYIM: Okay, good. 25 I wanted to explore the -- Is this going to be a

directional well, do you know? 1 MR. HALL: They'll all be horizontal wells. 2 at that Attachment A. It shows the surface and bottomhole 3 locations for that first well. 4 EXAMINER EZEANYIM: What is Attachment A? 5 6 MR. HALL: It is the plat. 7 EXAMINER EZEANYIM: Attachment A, okay. 8 MR. HALL: I'm sorry, Attachment B. 9 EXAMINER EZEANYIM: Okay. MR. HALL: The surface and bottomhole locations 10 are standard. 11 12 EXAMINER EZEANYIM: Are they all standard? 13 MR. HALL: Yes. EXAMINER EZEANYIM: I don't see an Attachment B. 14 15 Okay, here it is, yeah. MR. HALL: I would point out that one of the 16 17 requirements from the Land Office was, because 160 acres in 18 Section 30 were included on the north flank of the unit, they ask that LCX, the unit operator, commit to drilling a 19 20 second well that would include that 160 acres in a unit, so there will probably be a standup unit formed in the east 21 22 half of Section 30. And they have agreed to do that. 23 EXAMINER EZEANYIM: I'm asking for this location, 24 surface location and bottomhole location because of your 25 Application. Let me see if I can get it here. I know you

1	are going to the Wolfcamp, right?
2	MR. HALL: Yes, that actual location is reflected
3	on the affidavit, paragraph 3.
4	EXAMINER EZEANYIM: Oh, okay, yeah, so Okay.
5	That answers that question, okay.
6	But I believe this unit is being formed because
7	of economic reasons. You know, is that why
8	MR. HALL: Primarily, yes. It's exploratory.
9	There is some risk involved, so it is considered an
10	exploratory unit.
11	EXAMINER EZEANYIM: Okay.
12	Any more questions?
13	MS. O'CONNOR: I have nothing.
14	EXAMINER EZEANYIM: Nothing further.
15	MR. HALL: That completes our case, thank you.
16	EXAMINER EZEANYIM: Okay, at this point Case
17	Number 13,752 will be taken under advisement.
18	Thank you, Mr. Hall.
19	MR. HALL: Thanks
20	(Thereupon, these proceedings were concluded at
21	10:37 a.m.)
22	* * *
23	a complete record of the proceedings in
24	the Examilies 127 108 110
25	heard by me An Examiner

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## CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

STATE OF NEW MEXICO )
) ss.
COUNTY OF SANTA FE )

I, Steven T. Brenner, Certified Court Reporter and Notary Public, HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing transcript of proceedings before the Oil Conservation Division was reported by me; that I transcribed my notes; and that the foregoing is a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am not a relative or employee of any of the parties or attorneys involved in this matter and that I have no personal interest in the final disposition of this matter.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL July 23rd, 2006.

STEVEN T. BRENNER

CCR No. 7

My commission expires: October 16th, 2006