#### 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 PARALLEL PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A UNIT AGREEMENT, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

No. 7 for the State of New Mexico.

CASE NO. 13,863

ORIGINAL

#### REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

#### EXAMINER HEARING

BEFORE: DAVID K. BROOKS, Jr., Hearing Examiner

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January 18th, 2007

Santa Fe, New Mexico

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, DAVID K. BROOKS, Jr., Hearing Examiner, on Thursday, January 18th, 2007, 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

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## APPEARANCES

## FOR THE APPLICANT:

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WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had at 1 2 2:48 p.m.: 3 EXAMINER BROOKS: Call Case Number 13,863, 4 Application of Parallel Petroleum Corporation for approval 5 of a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico. 6 MS. MUNDS-DRY: Mr. Examiner, Ocean Munds-Dry 7 with the law firm of Holland and Hart, here representing 8 Parallel Petroleum Corporation this afternoon. 9 And again I'll be submitting this case by 10 affidavit. 11 12 EXAMINER BROOKS: Very good. MS. MUNDS-DRY: Mr. Examiner, Parallel seeks 13 approval of the Hope State Exploratory Unit. This unit is 14 comprised of 1840 acres of all State of New Mexico lands 15 16 and is located approximately four miles southwest of Hope, 17 New Mexico. Again I'll ask you to bear with me on the 18 19 numbering on these exhibits. 20 Parallel Exhibit Number A is the affidavit of 21 Michael Gray, who again is the petroleum landman 22 identifying the project. They also seek to test all 23 formations from the surface to the top of the Wolfcamp shale. 24 25 The initial test well will also be a horizontal

well, and it will be located at a surface location of 778 feet from the north line and 200 feet from the east line, and will have a bottomhole location of 778 feet from the south line and 660 feet from the west line in Section 16, Township 18 South, Range 21 East. And it will go to an approximate vertical depth of 4450 feet.

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Exhibit 1 to the affidavit is the AFE showing the proposed well cost will be \$2,411,800.

Attachment A is a copy of the unit agreement for the Hope State Exploratory unit. Again, it conforms to the State Land Office form.

Attachment B to the affidavit is a copy of the plat identifying the unit boundary. This proposed unit will have a total of five tracts, as you can see in the plat.

Attachment B-1 is a copy of the C-102, showing the projected well path and the surface and bottomhole location.

Attachment C is a copy of Schedule B to the unit agreement, and again shows the ownership breakdown for the unit.

There are five different leases here. And I'll note again as I did in the previous case, Mr. Examiner, that the first leases in this unit expire May 1st, 2007. The other three are a little farther out, we've got some

time on those. But May 1 is the critical date.

A hundred percent of the working interest in this unit is committed, and 100 percent of the royalty is owned by the State.

Attachment D is a copy of the letter from the Commissioner of Public Lands, giving preliminary approval to the formation of this unit.

Attachment E is a gross isopach map. Parallel believes this reservoir is open to restricted platform environment behind a Wolfcamp platform margin situated Basinward from the production.

And Attachment F is a structure map of the top of the Wolfcamp. Again, it shows a regionally deposited zone from which true structural depth across the proposed unit is shown.

And Attachment G and Attachment H are again a northwest-southeast-oriented stratigraphic and a north-south-oriented stratigraphic cross-section.

And finally, Parallel Exhibit Number 2 is the affidavit of publication.

And with that, we'd ask that Parallel Exhibit

Number 1, 2 and Exhibit A and its attachments be admitted into evidence.

EXAMINER BROOKS: Okay, Exhibits 1 and 2, with all their attachments, will be admitted into evidence.

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And Case Number 13,863 will be taken under
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     advisement.
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                                    Thank you, Mr. Examiner.
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                 MS. MUNDS-DRY:
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                 EXAMINER BROOKS:
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                 (Thereupon, these proceedings were concluded at
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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 January 22nd, 2007.

STEVEN T. BRENNER CCR No. 7

My commission expires: October 16th, 2010