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ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED
BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

APPLICATION OF PARALLEL PETROLEUM
CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 13960

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

BEFORE: DAVID K. BROOKS, Jr., Legal Examiner
WILLIAM V. JONES, Jr., Technical Examiner

April 3, 2008

Santa Fe, New Mexico

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico
Oil Conservation Division, DAVID K. BROOKS, Jr., Legal
Examiner, and WILLIAM V. JONES, Jr., Technical Examiner, on
Thursday, April 3, 2008, at the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and
Natural Resources Department, 1220 South St. Francis Drive,
Room 102, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

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April 3, 2008
Examiner Hearing
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Appearing for Parallel Petroleum Corporation:

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APPLICANT'S EXHIBITS 1 - 2 ADMITTED

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1 EXAMINER JONES: Let's call Case 13960, Application
2 of Parallel Petroleum Corporation for Compulsory Pooling,
3 Chaves County, New Mexico.

4 Call for appearances.

5 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, Jim Bruce of Santa Fe,
6 representing the applicant. I am submitting this case by
7 affidavit, also.

8 EXAMINER JONES: Any other appearances?

9 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, this well unit was pooled
10 by Order No. R12799 last summer. And I guess you were the
11 examiner. After the pooling, which was -- actually,
12 Ms. Munds-Dry was the attorney for Parallel in that case --
13 there arose some title issues, and I re-filed this matter
14 because we were seeking to force-pool Chesapeake, which Holland
15 & Hart represents at times. So I was asked to take over the
16 pooling.

17 We did file this application quite some time ago.
18 And Parallel continued negotiating and came to terms with
19 Chesapeake. But, in the interim, the old pooling order
20 expired, and there was one person left to pool because they
21 hadn't commenced the well in a timely matter. And that person
22 is the New Mexico Department of Transportation.

23 Submitted is Exhibit 1 as the affidavit of the
24 landman pretty much reiterating everything that he testified to
25 in the original hearing in this matter. They are seeking to

1 force-pool a Wolfcamp gas test. The unit is in the south half
2 of Section 9, 15 South 25 East. If you look at the land plat
3 attached to the affidavit, you can see that the surface
4 location is actually adjoining Section 8, but the penetration
5 point in the Wolfcamp and the rest of the well bore is at an
6 orthodox location.

7 Attachment B to the exhibit is a listing of various
8 mineral and working interest owners. Again, the only party
9 being force-pooled is the Highway Commission, which owns about
10 3.75 percent of the working interest -- unleased working
11 interest in the well unit as a result of owning a right-of-way
12 and fee crossing the land.

13 EXAMINER JONES: Okay.

14 MR. BRUCE: And the problem is they don't have any
15 procedures to approve oil and gas leases at this point. I
16 believe they're trying to, but they've been force-pooled
17 numerous times and just don't have anything in the process for
18 leasing their interest.

19 MR. BROOKS: They have somebody working on studying
20 it. They came by and talked to us.

21 MR. BRUCE: Yes, they do, a Mr. Katmac.

22 And Exhibit 2 is my Affidavit of Notice to a notice
23 to the Department of Transportation. And they did receive
24 actual notice. So I would move the admission of Exhibit 1 and
25 2, and that this matter be taken under advisement.

For here to be filed with the foregoing is
a true and correct copy of the proceedings in
the above entitled Cause No. _____
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DATE _____
Examiner

1 EXAMINER JONES: Exhibits 1 and 2 will be admitted.
2 And that was on the terminus of the well; it was from 1880 from
3 the south line, not the north line; is that correct?

4 MR. BRUCE: That is correct. I did correct that.

5 EXAMINER JONES: Okay.

6 MR. BROOKS: DOT is the only party being pooled?

7 MR. BRUCE: DOT is the only party being pooled.
8 Originally, there were a number of parties last summer, but the
9 DOT is the only one at this time.

10 MR. BROOKS: Okay.

11 EXAMINER JONES: Thanks. Case No. 13960 will be
12 taken under advisement.

13 [Hearing concluded.]

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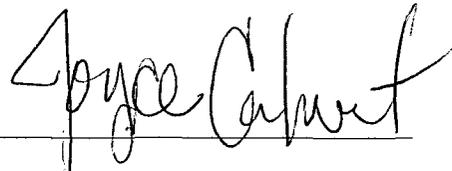
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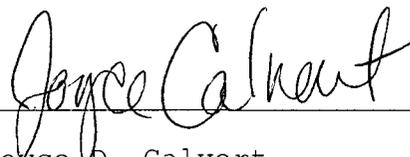
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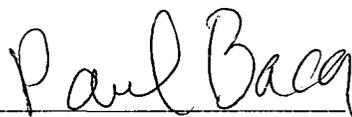
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