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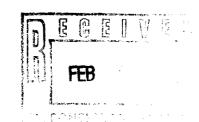
#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO

# 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 W.M. GALLAWAY

CASE NO. 11,173



# ORIGINAL

## REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

# **EXAMINER HEARING**

BEFORE: DAVID R. CATANACH, Hearing Examiner

February 2nd, 1995
Santa Fe, New Mexico

This matter came on for hearing before the Oil Conservation Division on Thursday, February 2nd, 1995, at the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Porter Hall, 2040 South Pacheco, Santa Fe, New Mexico, before 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 1 2 9:13 a.m.: EXAMINER CATANACH: At this time we'll call Case 3 4 11,173. MR. CARROLL: Application of W.M. Gallaway for 5 downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. 6 EXAMINER CATANACH: Are there appearances in this 7 case? 8 MR. PADILLA: Mr. Examiner, my name is Ernest L. 9 Padilla, for the Applicant in this case. 10 I have only one exhibit to introduce, which is my 11 affidavit and notice of mailing. 12 EXAMINER CATANACH: Any additional appearances? 13 Okay. 14 That the original affidavit and the MR. PADILLA: 15 notice that I sent to the various interest owners, and it's 16 marked as Exhibit 10. 17 EXAMINER CATANACH: Okay. As I recall, Mr. 18 19 Padilla, we continued this case for notice to interest 20 owners; is that right? MR. PADILLA: That's correct. I did not send 21 notice to the working interest owners because they had all 22 23 agreed to downhole commingling. But all royalty owners are notified, and we did 24 25 have one letter from Meridian saying they had no objection

to the commingling application, and that's the last page on 1 that exhibit. 2 There were -- Second to the last page, we 3 notified Myra Jones, and we did not get a return receipt 4 from Ms. Jones, but we did send that to the last known 5 address. 6 The next three items from the end were returned 7 due to no known address, so we did try to get everybody 8 notified. 9 Okay. This list, Mr. EXAMINER CATANACH: 10 Padilla, does include the offset operators, right? 11 MR. PADILLA: Yes, sir. 12 EXAMINER CATANACH: Okay. On that last page that 13 you were talking about for Meridian --14 15 MR. PADILLA: Yes. EXAMINER CATANACH: -- that last sentence in that 16 17 paragraph, Please be advised that Meridian has no obligation, is that just a typo? 18 19 MR. PADILLA: I think that's a typo. 20 EXAMINER CATANACH: Okay. Mr. Kellahin, would 21 you like to address that? MR. KELLAHIN: I didn't write the letter, Mr. 22 Catanach. 23 24 I'm Tom Kellahin of the Santa Fe law firm of Kellahin and Kellahin. 25

I'm entering my appearance in this case on behalf of Meridian Oil, Inc., and I am advised that they have no opposition to the granting of this Application, regardless of what that letter may imply. EXAMINER CATANACH: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Kellahin. Is there anything further, Mr. Padilla? MR. PADILLA: Nothing further. EXAMINER CATANACH: There being nothing further, Case 11,173 will be taken under advisement. (Thereupon, these proceedings were concluded at 9:17 a.m.) 

#### 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 February 7th, 1995.

STEVEN T. BRENNER CCR No. 7

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My commission expires: October 14, 1998

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