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



IN THE MATTER OF THE McELVIAN OIL & GAS PROPERTIES, INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING AND AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 12284

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by Energen Resources Corporation, through its counsel of record, Miller, Stratvert & Torgerson, P.A. (J. Scott Hall, Esq.) as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES

APPLICANT'S ATTORNEY

Campbell, Carr, Berge & Sheridan, P.A.

William F. Carr, Esq.

APPLICANT

409 St. Michael's Drive

McElvain Oil & Gas Properties

P.O. Box 2208 Santa Fe, NM 87504 (505) 982-2043	Santa Fe, NM 87501 (505) 982-1935
OPPONENT'S ATTORNEY	<u>OPPONENT</u>
J. Scott Hall, Esq. Miller, Stratvert & Torgerson, P.A. P.O. Box 1986 Santa Fe, NM 87504-1986 (505) 989-9614	Energen Resources Corporation 2198 Bloomfield Highway Farmington, New Mexico 87401 (505) 325-6800
James Bruce, Esq. PO Box 1056 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504 (505) 982-2043	N.M.&O. Operating Company 6 East 5 th Street, Suite 200 Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Applicant seeks the issuance of an order pooling the interests of Energen Resources Corporation and others for its Cougar Com. "33" Well No. 1, designation of Applicant as operator, the imposition of a 200% risk factor penalty and other relief pursuant to Section 70-2-17(C), N.M. Stat. Ann. (1978 Comp.).

Energen Resources Corporation opposes Burlington's applications for the following reasons, among others: Applicant has failed to exercise good faith in obtaining the voluntary joinder of uncommitted interests to the well in violation of Section 70-2-17 and 70-2-18, N.M. Stat. Ann. (1978 Comp.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

Energen Resources Corporation will present evidence relating to any or all of the issues set forth in the Statement of the Case submitted by the various parties.

APPLICANT

WITNESSES EST. TIME EXHIBITS (Name and expertise)

OPPOSITION

WITNESSES EST. TIME EXHIBITS

(Name and expertise)

Richard Corcoran, Landman 30 minutes 9

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

(Please identify any procedural matters which need to be resolved prior to the hearing)

Energen may request a continuance.

7. Jour dall
Signature

Certificate of Mailing

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was mailed to counsel of record on the 47 day of November, 1999, as follows:

Rand Carroll, Esq.
Oil Conservation Division
2040 South Pacheco Street
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

William F. Carr, Esq. Campbell, Carr, Berge & Sheridan, P.A. Post Office Box 2208 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504 (505) 988-4421

James Bruce, Esq. Post Office Box 1056 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504 (505) 982-2043

7. Swon dall

J. Scott Hall