

DOCKET: COMMISSION HEARING – FRIDAY – FEBRUARY 15, 2002

9:00 A.M. - OCD Hearing Room
1120 So. St. Francis
Santa Fe, New Mexico

The Land Commissioner's designee for this hearing will be Jami Bailey.

The minutes of the December 4, 2001, Commission hearing will be adopted.

This Commission may conduct a closed executive session during which it will deliberate in connection with an administrative adjudicatory proceeding pending before the Commission or consult with Commission counsel under the attorney-client privilege concerning threatened or pending litigation in which the Commission is or may become a participant.

The Oil Conservation Commission will adopt its annual resolution setting forth reasonable notice standards for Commission Public Meetings, pursuant to the New Mexico Open Meetings Act, 10-15-1.D. NMSA 1978.

Final action may be taken in the following cases:

CASE 12605: Application of Sapient Energy Corporation for special pool rules, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 12587: Amended application of Sapient Energy Corp for an unorthodox well location and (i) two non-standard 160-acre spacing units, or in the alternative (ii) one non-standard 160-acre spacing and proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 12601: Application of Bettis, Boyle & Stovall to Reopen Case 12601 and amend Order No. R-11573 to address the appropriate royalty burdens on the proposed well for purposes of the charge for risk involved in drilling said well, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 12459: De Novo – Continued from January 18, 2002, Commission Hearing.

Application of the Oil Conservation Division for an order requiring I. T. Properties to properly plug one well, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order requiring I. T. Properties to appear and show cause why one (1) well located in Section 23, Township 19 South, Range 28 East, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program. Further, should the operator fail to properly plug these wells, the Division seeks an order (i) requiring operator to properly plug these wells; (ii) authorizing the Division to plug these wells; (iii) ordering a forfeiture of the plugging bond, and (iv) assessing fines for failure to comply with the order. *In The Absence of Objection, This Case Will be Taken Under Advisement.* Upon application of I. T. Properties, this case will be heard De Novo pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1220.

CASE 12567: De Novo – Continued from January 18, 2002, Commission Hearing.

Application of Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. for compulsory pooling and four non-standard oil and gas spacing and proration units, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Mississippian formation underlying Lots 1-8 of irregular Section 3, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, and in the following manner: Lots 1-8 to form a

non-standard 355.80-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated North Shoe Bar-Atoka Gas Pool and Undesignated North Shoe Bar-Morrow Gas Pool; Lots 3-6 to form a non-standard 177.21-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within that vertical extent; Lots 3 and 4 to form a non-standard 97.21-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 80-acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated South Big Dog-Strawn Pool; and Lot 4 to form a non-standard 48.43-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 40-acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated Townsend-Permo Upper Pennsylvanian Pool. The units are to be dedicated to applicant's Townsend State Com. Well No. 10, to be located at an orthodox location 800 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 3. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well, and a charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well. The units are located approximately 6 miles west-northwest of Lovington, New Mexico. Upon application of Yates Petroleum Corporation, this case will be heard De Novo pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1220.

CASE 12535: De Novo - Continued from January 18, 2002, Commission Hearing.

Application of Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. for compulsory pooling and four non-standard oil and gas spacing and proration units, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Mississippian formation underlying Lots 1-8 of irregular Section 3, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, and in the following manner: Lots 1-8 to form a non-standard 355.80-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated North Shoe Bar-Atoka Gas Pool and Undesignated North Shoe Bar-Morrow Gas Pool; Lots 3-6 to form a non-standard 177.21-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within that vertical extent; Lots 3 and 4 to form a non-standard 97.21-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 80-acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated South Big Dog-Strawn Pool; and Lot 4 to form a non-standard 48.43-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 40-acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated Townsend-Permo Upper Pennsylvanian Pool. The units are to be dedicated to applicant's Townsend State Com. Well No. 10, to be located at an orthodox location 800 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 3. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well, and a charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well. The units are located approximately 6 miles west-northwest of Lovington, New Mexico. Upon application of Yates Petroleum Corporation, this case will be heard De Novo pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1220.

CASE 12590: De Novo - Continued from January 18, 2002, Commission Hearing.

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling and a non-standard gas spacing and proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Mississippian formation in Lots 1 through 8 (N/2 Equivalent) of Irregular Section 3, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, to form a non-standard 355.80-acre gas spacing and proration unit for all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within that vertical extent which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated North Shoe Bar-Atoka Gas Pool and the Undesignated North Shoe Bar-Morrow Gas Pool. Said unit is to be