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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
CASES 10333 and 10343 (Consolidated)

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Hearing Called by the Oil Conservation Division  
on its Own Motion for an Order Creating and  
Extending Certain Existing Pools in Lea County,  
New Mexico.

Hearing Called by the Oil Conservation Division  
on its Own Motion for an Order Creating and  
Extending Certain Pools in Chaves and Eddy  
Counties, New Mexico.

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

BEFORE: MICHAEL E. STOGNER, EXAMINER

STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

June 27, 1991

## A P P E A R A N C E S

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1 EXAMINER STOGNER: I'll now call Cases  
2 10333 and 10343.

3 Case 10333 is in the matter of the hearing  
4 called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own  
5 motion for an order creating and extending certain  
6 existing pools in Lea County, New Mexico.

7 Case 10343 is in the matter of the hearing  
8 called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own  
9 motion for an order creating and extending certain  
10 pools in Chavez and Eddy Counties, New Mexico.

11 At this time I'll call for appearances.

12 MR. STOVALL: I'm Robert G. Stovall of  
13 Santa Fe on behalf of the Division, in both cases.

14 EXAMINER STOGNER: I assume there are no  
15 other appearances, since no one else is in the room.

16 Will the witness please stand to be sworn?  
17 I assume you have a witness?

18 MR. STOVALL: I do have a witness.

19 JIM MORROW

20 the witness herein, after having been first duly sworn  
21 upon his oath, was examined and testified as follows:

22 EXAMINATION

23 BY MR. STOVALL:

24 Q. Would you please state your name and place  
25 of employment.

1           A.       My name is Jim Morrow. I'm employed here  
2       at the Oil Conservation Division in Santa Fe.

3           Q.       In what capacity?

4           A.       Chief petroleum engineer.

5           Q.       Have you testified before the Division and  
6       the Commission and had your qualifications as a  
7       petroleum engineer accepted as a matter of record?

8           A.       Yes.

9           Q.       Are you prepared to submit to the Division  
10      today certain exhibits and the recommendations with  
11      respect to nomenclatures in Lea, Chaves and Eddy  
12      Counties, New Mexico?

13          A.       Yes.

14          Q.       And are your recommendations prepared in  
15      the form of exhibits in each case?

16          A.       Yes.

17          Q.       And how are those exhibits denominated?

18          A.       An order is prepared and a recommendation  
19      from each of the districts that sets out the new  
20      fields that are to be--new pools that are to be  
21      designated, and also the extensions that are  
22      recommended for each of the existing pools where a  
23      recommendation is being submitted for an extension.

24          Q.       Do we have an exhibit number or exhibit  
25      letter for each? If we don't, would you so designate

1 one for, I think, a combined package in each case?

2 A. Yes, sir. We do have what we could call  
3 Exhibit 1 in each of the cases.

4 Q. And have you compared Exhibit 1 in each of  
5 the cases with the docket that has been published for  
6 today's hearing, and determined if there are any  
7 differences between the two in either case?

8 A. Yes, I've compared them, and no, there are  
9 no differences.

10 Q. Are these exhibits prepared in the normal  
11 course of business of the Oil Conservation Division,  
12 and have you reviewed them to ascertain that they are  
13 accurate, to the best of your knowledge?

14 A. Yes. The answer is yes to both of those  
15 questions.

16 Q. Do you recommend the Commission adopt a  
17 nomenclature in accordance with the proposed Order in  
18 the Exhibit 1's?

19 A. Yes, I do recommend that.

20 MR. STOVALL: I move the admission of  
21 Exhibits 1 in each case, and I have nothing further of  
22 this witness.

23 EXAMINER STOGNER: Exhibits 1 in each case  
24 will be admitted into evidence at this time.

25 I have no questions.

1                   Any questions of Mr. Morrow? If not, he  
2 may be excused.

3                   Does anybody else have anything further in  
4 either case? If not, Cases 10333 and 10343 will both  
5 be taken under advisement at this time.

6                   And, with that, this hearing is adjourned.  
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CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

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COUNTY OF SANTA FE ) ss.

I, Carla Diane Rodriguez, Certified  
Shorthand Reporter and Notary Public, HEREBY CERTIFY  
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the Oil Conservation Division was reported by me; that  
I caused my notes to be transcribed under my personal  
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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 July 3, 1991.

CARLA DIANE RODRIGUEZ  
CSR No. 91

My commission expires: May 25, 1995

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is  
a complete and true transcript of the proceedings in  
the Examiner hearing of Case Nos. 103336 and 10343  
heard by me on June 27 1991.

*Michael E. Starnes*, Examiner  
Oil Conservation Division