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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
CASE 9923, CASE 9924, CASE 9926,
CASE 9927, CASE 9911, CASE 9930,
CASE 9931, CASE 9918, CASE 9919,
CASE 9907, CASE 9898

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Continued Cases

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

BEFORE: DAVID R. CATANACH, EXAMINER

STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

May 2, 1990

1 WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had
2 at 8:20 a.m.:

3 EXAMINER CATANACH: Call the hearing to order
4 this morning for Docket Number 12-90.

5 At this time we'll call the continuances.

6 At this time I'll call Case 9923, the
7 Application of Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners,
8 L.P., for surface commingling, Lea County, New Mexico.

9 At the Applicant's request, this case will be
10 continued to the May 16th, 1990, docket.

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12 EXAMINER CATANACH: Call Case 9924, the
13 Application of Strata Production Company to amend
14 Division Order No. 9097, Eddy County, New Mexico.

15 At the Applicant's request, this case will be
16 continued to the May 16th, 1990, docket.

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18 EXAMINER CATANACH: Call Case 9926, the
19 Application of Mewborn Oil Company for compulsory
20 pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy
21 County, New Mexico.

22 At the Applicant's request, this case will be
23 continued to May 30th, 1990.

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1 EXAMINER CATANACH: Call Case 9927, the
2 Application of Pacific Enterprises Oil Company (USA)
3 for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

4 At the Applicant's request, this case will be
5 continued to the May 16th, 1990, docket.

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8 EXAMINER CATANACH: At this time we'll call
9 Case 9911, Application of Union Oil Company of
10 California for a highly deviated directional drilling
11 pilot project and unorthodox coal gas well location,
12 Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

13 At the Applicant's request, this case will be
14 continued to the May 16th, 1990, docket.

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17 EXAMINER CATANACH: Case 9930, the
18 Application of Union Oil Company of California to amend
19 Division Order Number R-6375, as amended, Rio Arriba
20 County, New Mexico.

21 At the Applicant's request, this case will be
22 continued to the May 16th, 1990, docket.

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1 EXAMINER CATANACH: Case 9931, Application of
2 Arco Oil and Gas Company for a pressure maintenance
3 expansion, Eddy County, New Mexico.

4 At the Applicant's request, this case will be
5 continued to the May 16th, 1990, docket.

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8 EXAMINER CATANACH: Case 9918, Application of
9 Mesa Operating Limited Partnership for compulsory
10 pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico.

11 At the Applicant's request, this case will be
12 continued to the May 16th, 1990, docket.

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15 EXAMINER CATANACH: Case 9919, Application of
16 Mesa Operating Limited Partnership for compulsory
17 pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico.

18 At the Applicant's request, this case will be
19 continued to the May 16th, 1990, docket.

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1 EXAMINER CATANACH: Case 9907, Application of
2 Enron Oil and Gas Company for compulsory pooling and an
3 unorthodox location, Eddy County, New Mexico.

4 At the Applicant's request, this case will be
5 continued to the May 16th, 1990, docket.

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8 EXAMINER CATANACH: And Case 9898,
9 Application of Doyle Hartman for compulsory pooling, a
10 non-standard gas proration unit and simultaneous
11 dedication, Lea County, New Mexico.

12 At the Applicant's request, this case will be
13 continued to the May 16th, 1990, docket.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
CASE 9931

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Arco Oil & Gas Company for
Pressure Maintenance Expansion, Eddy
County, New Mexico.

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

BEFORE: MICHAEL E. STOGNER, EXAMINER

STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

May 21, 1990
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1 HEARING EXAMINER: At this time we'll call
2 Case 9931.

3 MR. STOVALL: Application of Arco Oil and
4 Gas Company for pressure maintenance expansion, Eddy
5 County, New Mexico.

6 MR. CARR: May it please the Examiner, my
7 name is William F. Carr, with the law firm of Campbell
8 & Black, P.A., of Santa Fe. I represent Arco Oil and
9 Gas Company.

10 Arco requests that this case be continued
11 to the Examiner Hearing scheduled for June 13, 1990.
12 In the meantime, we intend to file an amended
13 application, which we'll seek in addition to the
14 expansion of the pressure maintenance project,
15 amendment of certain rules which govern the
16 development of the Empire-Abo Unit.

17 MR. STOVALL: Mr. Examiner, we received
18 previously from the law firm of Kellahin, Kellahin &
19 Aubrey representing Oxy U.S.A., a motion to dismiss
20 this application. I believe the motion was based upon
21 the failure of the advertisement to reference
22 amendments to Order R-4549. And I believe that's the
23 reason you're requesting the continuance?

24 MR. CARR: That is the reason, although the
25 locations of the wells have correctly been reflected

1 in the notice provided and in the legal
2 advertisement.

3 Time is not such a factor that we are not
4 willing to go ahead and amend the application to
5 provide an exception to Rule 7 of the rules governing
6 the Empire-Abo Unit to approve these particular well
7 locations.

8 Instead of fighting that--we've also
9 recently, within the last week, provided to Oxy a
10 substantial volume of information that they've
11 requested and they have also requested additional time
12 to review that information.

13 So, all of these factors combined result in
14 our requesting a continuance.

15 MR. STOVALL: Mr. Examiner, in view of the
16 fact that if we were to grant Mr. Kellahin's motion,
17 Arco could simply refile the application corrected,
18 and what Mr. Carr is seeking seeks to accomplish the
19 same result, I recommend that we deny Mr. Kellahin's
20 motion to dismiss, and grant Mr. Carr's motion for
21 continuance.

22 HEARING EXAMINER: Thank you, Mr. Carr.
23 Mr. Stovall, thank you.

24 At this time I will deny the request of
25 Mr. Kellahin to dismiss this case. And in that fact,

1 Case No. 9931 will be continued and readvertised for
2 the June 13, 1990 hearing.

3 Does anybody else have anything further in
4 Case 9931, or did I miss anything?

5 (And the proceedings concluded.)

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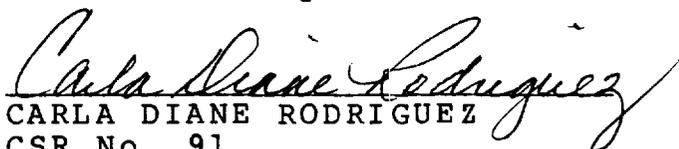
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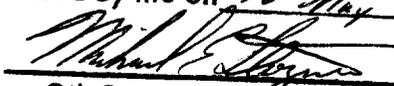
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 6 I, Carla Diane Rodriguez, Certified
 7 Shorthand Reporter and Notary Public, HEREBY CERTIFY
 8 that the foregoing transcript of proceedings before
 9 the Oil Conservation Division was reported by me; that
 10 I caused my notes to be transcribed under my personal
 11 supervision; and that the foregoing is a true and
 12 accurate record of the proceedings.

13 I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am not a relative
 14 or employee of any of the parties or attorneys
 15 involved in this matter and that I have no personal
 16 interest in the final disposition of this matter.

17 WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL May 29, 1990.

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 19 CARLA DIANE RODRIGUEZ
 20 CSR No. 91

21 My commission expires: May 25, 1991

22 I do hereby certify that the foregoing is
 23 a complete record of the proceedings in
 24 the Examiner hearing of Case No. 9931,
 heard by me on 16 May 1990.
 25 , Examiner
 Oil Conservation Division