

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

11 July 1984

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF

Application of M. J. Brannon for CASE
hardship gas well classification, 8216
San Juan County, New Mexico.

BEFORE: Richard L. Stamets, Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

A P P E A R A N C E S

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Division:

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EWELL N. WALSH

Direct Examination by Mr. Carr

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3 MR. STAMETS: We'll call next
4 Case Number 8216, continued from June 6th, application of M.
5 J. Brannon for hardship gas well classification, San Juan
6 County.

7 MR. CARR: May it please the
8 Examiner, my name is William F. Carr with the Campbell Law
9 Firm.

10 I have one witness who needs to
11 be sworn.

12 MR. STAMETS: This is a
13 continued case; he testified earlier?

14 MR. CARR: Yes, he did.

15 MR. STAMETS: Let the record
16 show he is still sworn and qualified.

17 EWELL N. WALSH,
18 being called as a witness and being previously sworn upon
19 his oath, testified as follows, to-wit:

20 DIRECT EXAMINATION

21 BY MR. CARR:

22 Q Mr. Walsh, at the time this matter came
23 on for hearing four weeks ago we discovered we needed to
24 amend the application from a minimum rate of 100 Mcf per day
25 to 130 Mcf per day and requested at that time that the case
be continued.

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2 Would advise Mr. Stamets as to what has
3 transpired since that date?

4 A Since that date the offset operators have
5 been notified by certified return receipt mail of the
6 amendment to the application, plus they were presented the
7 information that was offered during the hearing concerning
8 the changes in the exhibits.

9 And all four operators, we have return
10 receipts on all four operators.

11 Q Do you have anything further to add to
12 your testimony?

13 A Only that I have not heard or received
14 any objection to the amendment or to the application

15 MR. CARR: Mr. Stamets, we
16 believe that was the purpose for continuing the case at that
17 time and therefore we would request that the case be taken
18 under advisement.

19 MR. STAMETS: Okay. Are there
20 any questions of the witness? He may be excused.

21 Does anybody have anything
22 further they wish to add?

23 The case will be taken under
24 advisement.

25 (Hearing concluded.)

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, SALLY W. BOYD, C.S.R., DO HEREBY CERTIFY
that the foregoing Transcript of Hearing before the Oil Con-
servation Division was reported by me; that the said tran-
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prepared by me to the best of my ability.

Sally W. Boyd CSR

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is
a complete record of the proceedings in
the Examiner hearing of Case No. 8216,
heard by me on 7-11 1954.
Richard P. [Signature], Examiner
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El Paso Natural Gas Company neither concurs with nor objects to this application. El Paso recognizes that some wells should definitely be recognized as "hardship" wells. El Paso believes it must express to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division that anytime a well is declared a "hardship" well, then the extra production from that well must be taken from the total production from all other wells on our system. This increases the non-controllable gas taken into our system thereby reducing our flexibility of pipeline operations to take ratably and protect correlative rights.