STATE OF NEW MEXICO

OIL CONSERVATION DAY

ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT 3: 15

CASE NOS. 12,148-50, 12,008 (Continued)

CASE NOS. 12,186, 12,207 (Dismissed)

CONTINUED AND DISMISSED CASES
TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

BEFORE: LORI WROTENBERY, CHAIRMAN JAMI BAILEY, COMMISSIONER ROBERT LEE, COMMISSIONER

> November 17th, 1999 Santa Fe, New Mexico

These matters came on for hearing before the Oil Conservation Commission, LORI WROTENBERY, Chairman, on Wednesday, November 17th, 1999, at the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Porter Hall, 2040 South Pacheco, Santa Fe, New Mexico, Steven T. Brenner, Certified Court Reporter No. 7 for the State of New Mexico.

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WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had at 9:20 a.m.:

in getting started this morning, but we'll go ahead and get underway. It's about 9:20 on -- What is today? November 17th, 1999. We're here in the Oil Conservation Division conference room in Santa Fe for a meeting of the Oil Conservation Commission.

I'm Lori Wrotenbery, I'm Chairman of the Commission.

To my right is Commissioner Jami Bailey. She represents Land Commissioner Ray Powell on the Oil Conservation Commission.

To my left is Dr. Robert Lee, Commissioner.

We also have a special guest this week. Lyn

Hebert, the Commission's legal counsel, is in Italy on

vacation, so Carol Leach, the Department's general counsel,

has kindly agreed to sit in with us today. Everybody has

to be on their best behavior.

We also, of course, have Florene Davidson the Commission Secretary. And Steve Brenner will be recording the meeting for us.

I believe -- Let's see, get a couple of preliminary matters out of the way. We have a fairly long docket, but most of the cases have been either dismissed or

continued, and I'll go through those in a minute. 1 2 First, let's take up the minutes of the last 3 Commission meeting. That was held on October 14th here in this room. Commissioners, I believe you've had the chance 4 to review a draft of the minutes. 5 COMMISSIONER BAILEY: Yes, I have. 6 7 CHAIRMAN WROTENBERY: Any changes necessary? COMMISSIONER BAILEY: No changes, I move that we 8 accept them. 9 CHAIRMAN WROTENBERY: Do I have a second to that 10 motion? 11 12 COMMISSIONER LEE: Second. 13 CHAIRMAN WROTENBERY: All in favor say "Aye". COMMISSIONER BAILEY: 14 Aye. COMMISSIONER LEE: 15 Aye. CHAIRMAN WROTENBERY: Aye. And I'll sign those 16 on behalf of the Commission. 17 18 19 20 CHAIRMAN WROTENBERY: Okay. Then we had several cases that I need to just mention for the record. Case 21 12,186, this was the Application of Chesapeake Operating, 22 23 Inc., for compulsory pooling in Lea County, New Mexico, to be heard de novo on the Application of Ameristat Oil and 24 25 Gas, Inc.

This case has been dismissed at the request of the *de novo* Applicant, and the Division Order Number R-11,216 is continued in full force and effect.

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CHAIRMAN WROTENBERY: Then we also had three cases -- Case Number 12,148, 12,149 and 12,150 -- that were Applications of the Wiser Oil Company to qualify enhanced recovery projects for the recovery oil tax rate in Eddy County, New Mexico. And these cases have been continued to the Commission's hearing in January.

CHAIRMAN WROTENBERY: We also had Case Number 12,008, the Application of Robert E. Landreth for determination of reasonable well costs in Lea County, New Mexico. This case will be heard by the Commission upon the Application of Robert E. Landreth for a de novo hearing, but this case, as well, has been continued to the January Commission meeting.

CHAIRMAN WROTENBERY: We do have two cases that will go forward today. The first one is Case 12,223, the Application of Pogo Producing Company for approval of a

pilot pressure maintenance project -- Oh, I missed one that has been dismissed, thank you. This is Case 12,207, the Application of St. Mary Land and Exploration Company for statutory unitization, Eddy and Lea Counties, New Mexico. This was an Application of St. Mary Land and Exploration for a de novo review of Order Number R-11,255. The de novo case has been dismissed at the request of the de novo Applicant, and Division Order Number R-11,255 is continued in full force and effect. Did that cover it, Florene? Thank you. * * * (Thereupon, these proceedings were concluded at 9:22 a.m.)

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) ss.
COUNTY OF SANTA FE)

I, Steven T. Brenner, Certified Court Reporter and Notary Public, HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing transcript of proceedings before the Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me; that I transcribed my notes; and that the foregoing is a true and 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 November 18th, 1999.

STEVEN T. BRENNER

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My commission expires: October 14, 2002