## CAMPBELL, CARR, BERGE & SHERIDAN, P.A.

LAWYERS

MICHAEL B. CAMPBELL WILLIAM F. CARR BRADFORD C. BERGE MARK F. SHERIDAN WILLIAM P. SLATTERY

PATRICIA A. MATTHEWS MICHAEL H. FELDEWERT DAVID B. LAWRENZ

JACK M. CAMPBELL

HAND-DELIVERED

MC

JEFFERSON PLACE

SUITE 1 - 110 NORTH GUADALUPE

POST OFFICE BOX 2208

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-2208

TELEPHONE: (505) 988-4421 TELECOPIER: (505) 983-6043

October 1, 1993

Case 10847

William J. LeMay, Director Oil Conservation Division New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources State Land Office Building Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503

Re:

In the Matter of the Application of Mitchell Energy Corporation for an Exception to Rule (2) of the Special Rules and Regulations for the North Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool, to allow a second well on a proration unit, or in the alternative, to establish infill drilling procedures for said pool, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Nearburg Producing Company is an operator in the North Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool which could be affected by the above-referenced application. Nearburg has no objection to Mitchell Energy Corporation's request for an Exception to Rule (2) of the Special Rules and Regulations for the North Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool to allow a second well to be drilled on the existing 640-acre spacing and proration unit comprised of Section 30, Township 20 South, Range 36 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico.

Nearburg Producing Company, however, would oppose an amendment to the Pool Rules to establish infill drilling and procedures for said pool.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. CARR

ATTORNEY FOR NEARBURG PRODUCING COMPANY

WFC:mlh

cc:

Mr. Joe Fitzgerald

W. Thomas Kellahin, Esq.

#### BEFORE THE

# NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF MITCHELL ENERGY CORPORATION
FOR AN EXCEPTION TO RULE (2) OF THE
SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS
FOR THE NORTH OSUDO-MORROW GAS POOL
TO ALLOW A SECOND WELL ON A
PRORATION UNIT, OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE
TO ESTABLISH INFILL DRILLING
PROCEDURES FOR SAID POOL,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. CASE I

CASE NO. 10847

## **ENTRY OF APPEARANCE**

COMES NOW CAMPBELL, CARR, BERGE & SHERIDAN, P.A., and hereby enters its appearance in the above referenced case on behalf of Nearburg Producing Company.

Respectfully submitted,

CAMPBELL, CARR, BERGE & SHERIDAN, P.A.

WILLIAM F. CARR

Post Office Box 2208

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

Telephone: (505) 988-4421

ATTORNEYS FOR NEARBURG PRODUCING COMPANY

## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that on this \( \frac{\fir}{\frac{\fir\f{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\f

W. Thomas Kellahin, Esq. Kellahin & Kellahin Post Office Box 2265 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

William F. Carr

#### KELLAHIN AND KELLAHIN

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

EL PATIO BUILDING

117 NORTH GUADALUPE

POST OFFICE BOX 2265

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-2265

TELEPHONE (505) 982-4285 TELEFAX (505) 982-2047

NATURAL RESOURCES-OIL AND GAS LAW

JASON KELLAHIN (RETIRED 1991)

\*NEW MEXICO BOARD OF LEGAL SPECIALIZATION RECOGNIZED SPECIALIST IN THE AREA OF

W. THOMAS KELLAHIN\*

September 13, 1993

#### HAND DELIVERED

William J. LeMay Oil Conservation Division 310 Old Santa Fe Trail Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

18811

Re: Application of Mitchell Energy Corporation for Simultaneous Dedication for in the Alternative for Infill Drilling in North Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

On behalf of Mitchell Energy Corporation, please find enclosed our referenced application for a hearing. We request that this case be set for hearing on the next available Examiner's docket now scheduled for October 7, 1993. Also enclosed is our suggested advertisement for the NMOCD docket.

By copy of this letter and application, sent certified mail-return receipt requested, we are notifying all interested parties offsetting the subject spacing unit and the other operators in the pool of their right to appear at the hearing and participate in this case, including the right to present evidence either in support of or in opposition to the application and that failure to appear at the hearing may preclude them from any involvement in this case at a later date.

Mitchell Energy Corporation August 13, 1993 Page 2.

Pursuant to the Division's Memorandum 2-90, all parties are hereby informed that if they appear in this case, then they are requested to file a Pre-Hearing Statement with the Division not later than 4:00 PM on Friday, August 27, 1993, with a copy delivered to the undersigned.

W. Thomas Kellahin

cc: Mitchell Energy Corporation

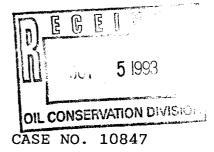


#### PROPOSED NOTICE FOR DOCKET

Application of Mitchell Energy Corporation for Simultaneous Dedication or in the alternative to establish Infill Drilling Procedures for the North Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an exception to Rule 2 of the Special Rules and Regulations of the North Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to allow an existing 640-acre gas spacing and proration unit comprising Section 30, T20S, R36E to be simultaneously dedicated to a proposed well at a standard well location in the SW/4 (Unit K) of said Section 30 and to an existing well in Unit A of said Section 30 or in the alternative for an order amending Rule 2 for said pool to provide that a second well may be drilled within a standard 640-acre spacing unit but on a governmental quarter section not containing a first well. The North Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool is located approximately seven miles north of Oil Center, New Mexico.

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:



APPLICATION OF MITCHELL ENERGY CORPORATION TO ESTABLISH INFILL DRILLING FOR THE NORTH OSUDO-MORROW GAS POOL, OR FOR AN EXCEPTION TO RULE (2) TO ALLOW A SECOND WELL ON A UNIT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by MITCHELL ENERGY CORPORATION as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

#### APPEARANCE OF PARTIES

APPLICANT

Mitchell Energy Corp.
P. O. Box 4000
The Woodlands, Texas 77387
Attn: Mark Stephenson
(713) 377-5818

ATTORNEY

W. Thomas Kellahin KELLAHIN AND KELLAHIN P.O. Box 2265 Santa Fe, NM 87504 (505) 982-4285 Pre-Hearing Statement Case No. 10847 Page 2

#### STATEMENT OF CASE

### APPLICANT:

The North Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool was established by Order R-2937 issued July 13, 1965 and provided for 640-acre spacing which was made permanent by Order R-3305-A issued August 13, 1968.

Mitchell Energy Corporation seeks the adoption of infill drilling provision for the pool which would allow a second gas well to be simultaneously dedicated to a 640-acre spacing unit and to be produced concurrently with the initial well.

Mitchell's geologic evidence will show that the Morrow interval contains multiple sand members which vary in thickness and in lateral extent such that one well per 640-acre well spacing unit is not adequate to properly develop the pool.

Mitchell's engineering evidence will show that the acreage drainage area calculated for seven wells in the pool was 182 acres with individual well's recovery ranging from 11 acres to a maximum of 418 acre per well.

At least two wells per section are necessary in order to encounter the various sand members of the Morrow formation underlying the spacing units and two wells per section are necessary in order to recover gas which might otherwise not be recovered.

An Infill Drilling provision rather than "down-spacing" to 320-acre will afford protection to correlative rights.

Pre-Hearing Statement Case No. 10847 Page 3

## PROPOSED EVIDENCE

## APPLICANT

WITNESSES	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
Dave Alderks (geologist)	30 min.	est. 7 exhibits
Carl Richard (P.E.)	20 Min.	est. 2 exhibits
Don McClung (landman)	10 Min.	est. 2 exhibits

## PROCEDURAL MATTERS

None applicable at this time.

KELLAHIN AND KELLAHII

By: Thomas Kellahin

P.O. Box 2265

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

(505) 982-4285

TELEPHONE (SOS) SEZ-AZER

TELEPAX (SOS) \$42-2047

## KELLABIN AND KELLABIN

ATTORNEYS AT LAW EL PATIO BUILDING IIT NORTH GUADALUFE POST OFFICE BOX'2265

SANTA FE NEW MERICO 87504-9265

UAGO KELLAHIN IKETIKED 1944

THE BEST SOME OF LEGAL BEGINSALISM RECOGNISES SEGULLEY IN THE LEEL OF MATHEMAL RESOURCES-OR, AND MASS LAW MATHEMAL RESOURCES-OR, AND MASS LAW

W. THOMAS KALLAHINS

## FACSIMILE COVER SHEET

DATE:		NUMBER OF PAGES: -1- (including cover sheet)	
TIME:	1: <b>Q</b> 2PM		
	David Catanach	FROM: W. Thomas Kellahin, Esq.	
OF:		SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:	
'AX NO:	827-5741	URGENT	
<b>E:</b>	OCE Case 10847	FOR YOUR REVIEW	
	North Osudo Morrow Pool	FOR YOUR APPROVAL FOR YOUR REPLY FER YOUR REQUEST	
 Message:	David: Mitchell Ener	gy has advised me that they	
	have discusse	d the infill well request with	
	Nearburg and	that Nearburg has no opposition	
	to making the	infill rule change for the whole	
	- pool provided	lit is optional and not an	
	obligation.		
	Ca	all me if you need anything	
		Regards,	
		Tom	
	(		

the use of the individual or entity named above. If the render of this moses, is not the intended recipient, or the employer or equal responsible to deliver it to the introduct recipient, you are hereby motified that any dissemination, distribution, or copying of this communication is attitly prohibited. If you have received this Facetonile Transmission in error, please immediately notify us by telephone and recorn the original mensage to us at the above address via the U.S. Postal Service. Thank you. \*

MOV~05-93 FRI

The information contained in this Faminile Message and Transmission is ATTORNEY PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL information intended only for

12:56

505 000 0017