

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION OF
THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION TO
ADOPT 19.15.41 NMAC, 19.15.42 NMAC,
AND 19.15.43 NMAC**

CASE NO. 25875

**ENVIRONMENTAL PARTIES' REPLY
IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO POSTPONE**

The Center for Biological Diversity, Diné C.A.R.E., Earthworks, San Juan Citizens Alliance, Sierra Club Rio Grande Chapter, Tó Nizhóní Ání, Western Environmental Law Center, and WildEarth Guardians move to postpone the pre-hearing statement deadlines and hearing dates in this matter. As grounds for this motion, Movants state:

1. A Motion to Dismiss the application based on the Commission's lack of authority to adopt the rules proposed has been filed, along with a request for a stay pending its resolution. That Motion will not be resolved until the next Commission meeting on June 11 at the earliest. The new, tentative deadline for filing direct testimony prehearing statements that is being discussed for inclusion in the prehearing procedural order is June 29. With fewer than three weeks between June 11 and June 29, parties will be required to devote resources towards developing testimony for a hearing that may not occur.

2. A prehearing procedural order setting the dates for filing prehearing statements, dispositive motions and responses, and for the hearing itself has not yet been issued, though it is expected imminently.

For the reasons discussed above, Movants respectfully request that the Commission grant their Motion to Postpone.

Respectfully submitted,

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