

1 NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

2 STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING

3 STATE OF NEW MEXICO

4 CASE NO. 10452

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6 IN THE MATTER OF:7
8 The Application of the Oil Conservation
9 Division on its Own Motion for an Order
10 Creating and Extending Certain Pools
11 in Chaves and Lea Counties, New Mexico.
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15 BEFORE:

16 DAVID R. CATANACH

17 Hearing Examiner

18 State Land Office Building

19 March 5, 1992
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23 REPORTED BY:

24 CARLA DIANE RODRIGUEZ
25 Certified Shorthand Reporter
for the State of New Mexico**ORIGINAL**

A P P E A R A N C E S

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WITNESSES FOR THE APPLICANT:

1. LARRY VAN RYAN

Examination by Mr. Stovall

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Certificate of Reporter

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Exhibit No. 1

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1 EXAMINER CATANACH: At this time we'll
2 call Case 10452. In the matter of the
3 application of the Oil Conservation Division on
4 its own motion for an order creating and
5 extending certain pools in Chaves and Lea
6 Counties, New Mexico.

7 Are there any appearances in this
8 case?

9 MR. STOVALL: I'm Robert G. Stovall of
10 Santa Fe on behalf of the Division, and I have
11 one witness.

12 EXAMINER CATANACH: Will the witness
13 please stand to be sworn in.

14 LARRY VAN RYAN

15 Having been first duly sworn upon his oath, was
16 examined and testified as follows:

17 EXAMINER CATANACH: Mr. Stovall, you
18 may proceed.

19 MR. STOVALL: Why thank you.

20 EXAMINATION

21 BY MR. STOVALL:

22 Q. Would you please state your name for
23 the record.

24 A. Larry Van Ryan.

25 Q. How are you employed, Mr. Van Ryan?

1 A. I'm employed by the State of New
2 Mexico, Oil Conservation Division, as the Chief
3 Petroleum Engineer.

4 Q. Have you testified before the Division
5 or the Commission and had your qualifications as
6 a petroleum engineer accepted as a matter of
7 record?

8 A. Yes, I have.

9 Q. Are you prepared to make
10 recommendations today with respect to the
11 nomenclature of certain pools in Chaves and Lea
12 Counties, New Mexico?

13 A. Yes, I am.

14 MR. STOVALL: Is the witness
15 qualified?

16 EXAMINER CATANACH: He is.

17 Q. How are your recommendations identified
18 or denominated?

19 A. The recommendations are listed in the
20 order for the hearing.

21 Q. And is there an exhibit as well, that
22 is identified for submission to the Examiner?

23 A. Yes, we do have exhibits to that
24 effect.

25 Q. Shall we call that Exhibit 1, for the

1 purpose of record keeping?

2 A. Okay.

3 Q. Are there any changes between Exhibit 1
4 and the docket that has been prepared for today's
5 hearing?

6 A. Yes. Under item B where you have "to
7 create a new pool in Lea County classified as an
8 oil pool for Upper Pennsylvanian production and
9 designated as the Feather Upper Pennsylvanian
10 Pool," the correction is that should be the "East
11 Feather Upper Pennsylvanian Pool."

12 Q. Other than that, the docket and the
13 exhibits are the same?

14 A. Yes, they are.

15 Q. Have you prepared Exhibit No. 1 or
16 examined it to determine its accuracy, or are you
17 confident that the staff of the Oil Conservation
18 Division has done so in their official course of
19 duty?

20 A. I believe the second is appropriate.

21 Q. Do you have anything further to add to
22 your testimony?

23 A. No, I don't.

24 MR. STOVALL: I move the admission of
25 Exhibit 1, and I have nothing further.

1 EXAMINER CATANACH: Mr. Stovall, is it
2 your recommendation that we don't have to
3 readvertise paragraph B to correctly reflect--

4 MR. STOVALL: No. I don't think the
5 name has--and it's a new pool, is it not?

6 EXAMINER CATANACH: Yes, it is.

7 MR. STOVALL: No, I don't think there's
8 any reason to readvertise it. It won't affect
9 anyone's rights.

10 EXAMINER CATANACH: There being nothing
11 further in this case, Case 10452 will be taken
12 under advisement.

13 Exhibit No. 1 will be admitted as
14 evidence in this case, and Case 10452 will be
15 taken under advisement.

16 And this hearing is adjourned.

17 (And the proceedings concluded.)

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I do hereby certify that the foregoing is
a complete record of the proceedings in
the Examiner hearing of Case No. 10452,
heard by me on March 5 1992.

David R. Catanach, Examiner
Oil Conservation Division

1 CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

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3 STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
4) ss.
COUNTY OF SANTA FE)

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

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

19 WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL March 14,
20 1992.

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