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:

CASE NOS: 21810, 21811

APPLICATION OF MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY TO AMEND ORDERS R-21275 and R-21276, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

APRIL 8, 2021

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

This matter came on for virtual hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, HEARING OFFICER WILLIAM BRANCARD and TECHNICAL EXAMINER DEAN McCLURE on Thursday, April 8, 2021, through the Webex Platform.

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1 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Next item is Item 39,

- 2 Case 21810, which I believe will be consolidated with 21811,
- 3 Matador Production. Mr. Bruce?
- 4 MR. BRUCE: Yes, I am here representing Matador
- 5 Production Company.
- 6 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Are there any other
- 7 parties to this matter?
- 8 MR. FELDEWERT: May it please the Examiners,
- 9 Michael Feldewert with the Santa Fe office of Holland & Hart
- 10 appearing on behalf of EOG Resources in both cases.
- 11 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. Any other
- 12 parties.
- 13 (No audible response.)
- 14 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Hearing none, Mr.
- 15 Feldewert, do you have any objections TO case going by
- 16 affidavit?
- 17 MR. FELDEWERT: EOG does not.
- 18 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. Mr.
- 19 Bruce, you may proceed.
- 20 MR. BRUCE: Yes. There is one exhibit package
- 21 for both cases. In these cases, the first case Matador
- 22 seeks to amend Order Number R-21275 and in the second one is
- 23 Order Number R-21276 which collectively force pool the
- 24 Wolfcamp formation in the S/2 of Section 15 and the S/2 of
- 25 Section 14, 20 South, 29 East.

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1 Exhibit 1 contains the applications and the

- 2 proposed ads.
- 3 Exhibit 2 is the landman's -- landman's
- 4 affidavit, Sam Prior, who has previously testified live in
- 5 front of the Division which seems to be rarer and rarer.
- 6 Contains the usual information, and he requests that the new
- 7 form order be used and that the application be -- or the
- 8 drilling commencement deadline be extended for one year.
- 9 The original orders' expiration date is April 28 of this
- 10 year.
- 11 Exhibit 3 is my affidavit of notice to the
- 12 various parties containing the white cards and green cards.
- 13 I did not get back all of the green cards but the final
- 14 exhibit is the affidavit of publication from the Carlsbad
- 15 Newspaper showing that publication notice was given to all
- of the interested parties in the two cases.
- 17 And with that, we would request the admission of
- 18 Exhibits 1 through 4 and ask that the matters be taken under
- 19 advisement.
- 20 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. Mr.
- 21 Feldewert, any questions or concerns?
- 22 MR. FELDEWERT: I do not have any concerns with
- 23 respect to the exhibits nor with respect to the drilling
- 24 extension, but I have one point of clarification. I saw
- 25 that the applications request that the pooling orders be

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1 modified to conform to the amended order template currently

- 2 in use. My concern is only that in each order there is a
- 3 paragraph providing EOG Resources with a special election
- 4 and payment provision.
- 5 An example is in Order 21275 in Paragraph 24 and
- 6 I believe it's probably in the same paragraph in the other
- 7 order, we just want to make sure that any amended order
- 8 template issued or utilized here does not remove or exclude
- 9 that particular special payment provision.
- 10 MR. BRUCE: Matador has no objection to that.
- 11 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you, that's
- 12 helpful. Mr. McClure, any questions?
- 13 TECHNICAL EXAMINER McCLURE: I have no questions
- 14 for any of these cases, Mr. Brancard.
- 15 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. With that
- 16 the exhibits will be admitted into the record and Cases
- 17 21810 and 21811 will be taken under advisement. Thank you.
- 18 (Exhibits admitted.)
- 19 (Taken under advisement.)

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Page 6 STATE OF NEW MEXICO 2. COUNTY OF BERNALILLO 3 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE 5 I, IRENE DELGADO, New Mexico Certified Court 6 7 Reporter, CCR 253, do hereby certify that I reported the 8 foregoing virtual proceedings in stenographic shorthand and 9 that the foregoing pages are a true and correct transcript 10 of those proceedings to the best of my ability. I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am neither employed by 11 nor related to any of the parties or attorneys in this case 12 13 and that I have no interest in the final disposition of this 14 case. 15 I FURTHER CERTIFY that the Virtual Proceeding was of poor to good quality. 16 Dated this 8th day of April 2021. 17 18 /s/ Irene Delgado 19 Irene Delgado, NMCCR 253 20 License Expires: 12-31-21 2.1 22 23 2.4 25