

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

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

Application of Longfellow Energy  
for Compulsory Pooling and for  
Approval of a Non-Standard Location,  
Eddy County, New Mexico Case No. 21954

Application of Longfellow Energy  
for Compulsory Pooling and for  
Approval of a Non-Standard Location,  
Lea County, New Mexico Case No. 21989

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

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This matter came on for hearing before the  
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1 (Time noted 10:40 a.m.)

2 EXAMINER BRANCARD: So with that I call Items 44  
3 and 45, cases 21954, 21989, Longfellow Energy.

4 MS. SHAHEEN: Thank you. Sharon Shaheen on  
5 behalf of Longfellow Energy, LP on both Cases 21954 and  
6 21989.

7 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. And we Spur Energy  
8 Partners. An entry of appearance?

9 MR. RANKIN: Good morning, Mr. Examiner. Adam  
10 Rankin of the Santa Fe Office of Holland and Hart  
11 appearing on behalf of Spur Energy Partners.

12 We've withdrawn our objection in Case  
13 21954, which I believe is the nonstandard location  
14 application.

15 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. Do you have any  
16 objection to 21989 proceeding by affidavit?

17 MR. RANKIN: I do not.

18 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Are there any other  
19 interested persons for Cases 21954, 21989?

20 MR. RODRIGUEZ: Michael Rodriguez with Hinkle  
21 Shanor on behalf of ConocoPhillips Company. And Conoco  
22 does not oppose this matter moving forward today, and  
23 takes no position in these matters.

24 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. Anyone else?

25 (Note: Pause.) All right. Ms. Shaheen, you may proceed.

1 MS. SHAHEEN: Thank you, Mr. Brancard.

2 In light of the parties' withdrawal of  
3 their objections in Case No. 21954, you will recall that  
4 was a request for approval of a nonstandard location, we  
5 will be requesting that that case be dismissed and be  
6 remanded back to be processed administratively.

7 With respect to 21989, we submitted  
8 exhibits on September 9th(sic) 2021. Taking a look at the  
9 Table of Contents you will see that we have provided the  
10 usual landman and geologist affidavit. Again this is Mr.  
11 Reynolds and Ms. Eker, both of whose credentials have been  
12 previously accepted by the Division.

13 Once again they provide the usual exhibits  
14 that are required and identified in the checklist.

15 Exhibit C is my Affidavit of Notice that  
16 illustrates all parties either received notice by mail for  
17 by publication.

18 In this case Longfellow seeks to pool a  
19 160-acre unit in the north half/north half of Section 29,  
20 Township 17 South, Range 28 East, to be dedicated to three  
21 wells, the Elvis State Com 29A 1H, 2H and 3H.

22 The 1H is the well that is the subject of  
23 the nonstandard application. The other two wells have  
24 standard locations.

25 Unless someone has any questions, I would

1 request that the Division admit these exhibits into the  
2 record and take this case under advisement.

3 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Mr. Rankin, once again any  
4 questions or objections?

5 MR. RANKIN: No questions or objections.

6 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you.

7 Mr. Simmons.

8 EXAMINER SIMMONS: Mr. Lowe actually asked me to  
9 inquire as to the number of that permit for the  
10 nonstandard locations when these come up in these, if you  
11 have that. If you have included it already in the record,  
12 that's fine. If not, if you could please forward that to  
13 us and we can identify it.

14 MS. SHAHEEN: You want the administrative number  
15 for the application that was filed?

16 EXAMINER SIMMONS: For the nonstandard -- well,  
17 for the permit that was granted. If it's not been  
18 granted, then yes, the application. It's a nonstandard  
19 location. He's just requesting that we get that on record  
20 so that we can mate these up.

21 MS. SHAHEEN: I don't believe it's been granted.  
22 I think he put it on the back burner in light of the case  
23 being on the hearing docket. But I can get back with you  
24 or with Mr. Lowe and we can clear that up the first part  
25 of next week.

1 EXAMINER SIMMONS: That's fine. Sure.

2 Probably if you can just send an email to  
3 Mr. Lowe, you can cc me with the number. He just  
4 requested that I ask that. Thank you.

5 MS. SHAHEEN: Will do. Thank you.

6 EXAMINER SIMMONS: No further questions.

7 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you.

8 So in Case 21954, you say you're going to  
9 dismiss? Or are you going to file something? How do you  
10 want to proceed on this, Ms. Shaheen.

11 MS. SHAHEEN: Well, I'm happy to request  
12 dismissal on the record and not have to file something if  
13 that works for you, but at the same time I'm happy to file  
14 something in writing making that request if you prefer to  
15 have that in the record.

16 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you.

17 Marlene, does she need to file something in  
18 writing?

19 MS. SALVIDREZ: She needs to file it via the  
20 portal.

21 MS. SHAHEEN: Will do.

22 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. All right, are there  
23 any other persons interested in Cases 21954, 21989?

24 Hearing none, 21954 we will wait for a  
25 Motion to Dismiss and then deal with the case that way.

1                   In Case 21989 the exhibits will be admitted  
2 into the record and the case will be taken under  
3 advisement. And you will also contact Mr. Lowe just to  
4 touch base again on the administrative application so that  
5 can move forward.

6                   MS. SHAHEEN: Okay. Thank you so much.

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