

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 Tap Rock Resources
for Compulsory Pooling,
Lea County, New Mexico Case No. 22135

Application of Tap Rock Resources
for Compulsory Pooling,
Lea County, New Mexico Case No. 22136

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

This matter came on for hearing before the
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, William
Brancard, Esq. Hearing Examiner, Kurt Simmons,
Technical Examiner, on September 9, 2021, via Webex
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Department of Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources.

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| CASES CALLED: | 3 |
| TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT: | 4 |

I N D E X O F E X H I B I T S

| NO. | DESCRIPTION | ADMITTED. |
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| A | Applications and Proposed Notices | 4 |
| B | Affidavit of Erica Hixson, Landman | 4 |
| C | Affidavit of Emily Lange, Geologist | 4 |
| D | Affidavit of Notice | 4 |
| E | Compulsory Pooling Checklists | 4 |

1 (Time noted 9:50 a.m.)

2 EXAMINER BRANCARD: With that I'll call Case
3 22135 and 22136, Tap Rock Operating.

4 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, Jim Bruce representing
5 Tap Rock.

6 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. Any other
7 interested persons in Cases 22135 and 22136? (Note:
8 Pause.) Hearing none, you may proceed, Mr. Bruce.

9 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner in those cases, in -135
10 Tap Rock seeks to pool the Bone Springs Formation in the
11 west half/west half of Section 9, 24 South, 34 East. In
12 the other case they seek to pool the east half/west half
13 of Section 9, 24 South, 34 East.

14 The Applications and proposed ads are
15 marked Exhibit A.

16 Exhibit B is the Affidavit of Erica Hixson,
17 landman for Tap Rock. It includes all of the usual
18 information: The C-102s; the land tract. It shows the
19 status of acreage and listing interest owners by tract.
20 The only party not to be pooled in this matter is COG
21 Operating. There is a Proposal Letter and an AFE -- or
22 two AFEs, I should say, and I think the exhibit package
23 contains everything that OCD is used to seeing.

24 Exhibit C is the Affidavit of Emily Lange,
25 a geologist for Tap Rock, and contains the usual Locator

1 Map, a Plat showing the usual zones of interest, a
2 Structure Map; and a Cross Section showing that the
3 acreage is -- the zone is continuous across each of the
4 well units, and therefore they should contribute more or
5 less equally to production from each quarter/quarter
6 section.

7 Then my Affidavit of Notice. COG did
8 receive actual notice and there's a Green Card.

9 Then Exhibit E contains both of the Pooling
10 Checklists.

11 So with that I would ask that Exhibits A
12 through E be admitted into the record and these cases be
13 taken under advisement.

14 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. Mr. Simmons?

15 EXAMINER SIMMONS: Appears to be in order.

16 Thank you. We will get in contact if any questions come
17 up.

18 MR. BRUCE: Thank you.

19 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. Are there any other
20 interested persons for Cases 22135 and 22136, Tap Rock?

21 Hearing none, the exhibits are admitted
22 into the record and Cases 22135 and 22136 are taken under
23 advisement.

24 MR. BRUCE: Thank you.

25 (Time noted 9:56 a.m.)

1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO)

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3 COUNTY OF TAOS)

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REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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I, MARY THERESE Macfarlane, New Mexico Reporter

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rules) any of the parties or attorneys in this case, and

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that I have no interest whatsoever in the final

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disposition of this case in any court.

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/s/ Mary Macfarlane

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