

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: 22353

APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING LLC
TO AMEND ORDER R-21473-A TO EXTEND TIME
TO COMMENCE DRILLING OPERATIONS,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS
EXAMINER HEARING
DECEMBER 2, 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 EXAMINERS DEAN McCLURE and
DYLAN ROSE-COSS on Thursday, December 2, 2021, through the
Webex Platform.

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A P P E A R A N C E S

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1 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: With that, I will
2 call Case 22353, COG Operating.

3 MR. RODRIGUEZ: Michael Rodriguez with Hinkle
4 Shanor on behalf of COG Operating LLC.

5 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Are there any other
6 interested persons for Case 22353?

7 (No audible response.)

8 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Number 48 on our
9 worksheet today? Hearing none, Mr. Rodriguez, you may
10 proceed.

11 MR. RODRIGUEZ: Thank you. In this matter COG
12 requests the Division amend Order Number R 21473-A to extend
13 the deadline to commence drilling operations until one year
14 from the date an amended order is issued.

15 The Division issued Order Number R-21437-A in
16 Case Number 21622 on January 19, 2021. The order created a
17 640 acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit
18 comprised of the W/2 of Sections 26 and 35 in Township 23
19 South, Range 32 East, Lea County, New Mexico. It designated
20 COG as operator of the unit.

21 It also pooled all uncommitted interests within a
22 three (unclear) Bone Spring pool, which is Pool Code 96603,
23 underlying the unit and dedicated the unit to the Bedington
24 Federal Com Numbers 201, 202, 301, 302, 303 501 502 and 503H
25 Wells.

1 And due to COVID-19 (unclear) orders were issued
2 COG was required to revise its drill schedule and now plans
3 to drill the wells in first half of 2022.

4 The exhibit packet submitted to the Division
5 contains Exhibit A and related land attachments, and Exhibit
6 A through -- I'm sorry -- attachments A-3 and A-4 are the
7 sample notice of hearing letter and affidavit of publication
8 reflecting all the notice requirements have been met.

9 And with that I ask that Exhibits A and related
10 land attachments be admitted into the record and Case Number
11 22353 be taken under advisement.

12 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. Mr.
13 Rose-Coss, any questions?

14 TECHNICAL EXAMINER ROSE-COSS: No questions.

15 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. Are there
16 any other interested persons here for Case 22353?

17 (No audible response.)

18 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Seeing none, hearing
19 none, the exhibits will be admitted into the record and case
20 22353 will be taken under advisement.

21 MR. RODRIGUEZ: Thank you.

22 (Exhibits admitted.)

23 (Taken under advisement.)

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1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO
2 COUNTY OF BERNALILLO

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4 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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6 I, IRENE DELGADO, New Mexico Certified Court
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.

11 I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am neither employed by
12 nor related to any of the parties or attorneys in this case
13 and that I have no interest in the final disposition of this
14 case.

15 I FURTHER CERTIFY that the Virtual Proceeding was
16 of reasonable quality.

17 Dated this 2nd day of December 2021.

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/s/ Irene Delgado

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Irene Delgado, NMCCR 253
License Expires: 12-31-21

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