

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:

APPLICATION OF TITUS OIL & GAS
PRODUCTION LLC TO AMEND ORDER NO. R-21611
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NOS. 22550 & 22551

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS
EXAMINER HEARING
MARCH 3, 2022
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, March 3, 2022, through the Webex Platform.

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1 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Let's look at a whole
2 series of Titus amendments and advise us how you want to
3 group these. I have cases -- I will start with Cases Number
4 32, 33, Case 22550, 22551, Titus Oil & Gas.

5 MS. SHAHEEN: Thank you, Mr. Examiner. Sharon
6 Shaheen on behalf of Titus Oil & Gas. We did submit
7 exhibits, combined exhibits for Case Numbers 22550 and
8 22251. I can briefly run through those exhibits for you.

9 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Well, first let me
10 bring on some other folks today. We have COG Operating LLC.

11 MS. RYAN: Good morning, Beth Ryan on behalf of
12 COG Operating LLC.

13 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Do you have any
14 objection to this case going ahead by affidavit?

15 MS. RYAN: We don't.

16 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Are there any other
17 interested persons for Cases 22550, 22551.

18 (No audible response.)

19 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. I'm holding my
20 tie out because we are going to discuss it, Ms. Shaheen.

21 MS. SHAHEEN: I have been admiring your tie every
22 hearing, but no one ever comments, so I refrain from
23 commenting myself. Do you want to talk about your tie
24 first, or --

25 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: As you can see, it's

1 sort of a patriotic tie here with Loony Tunes characters and
2 red, white and blue. And I try to have things that relate
3 to holidays. Last time I had a Pepe Le Pew Valentine's Day
4 tie that nobody said anything about, I was really
5 disappointed.

6 But, you know, it was, last week, President's
7 day. We don't really celebrate that, but it's a legal
8 holiday in New Mexico, which means, for you all who were
9 doing notice by publication, that's not a business day and
10 doesn't count as one.

11 So we will get to that discuss that in some of
12 these cases going forward. But with that, Ms. Shaheen,
13 please proceed.

14 MS. SHAHEEN: Thank you. In Case Number 22550,
15 we request amendment of Order Number 21611 for the Chicken
16 Noodle 301H Well that was previously force pooled in Case
17 Number 21615. Case Number 22551, we request amendment of
18 Order 21612 for the Chicken Noodle 401H Well and Chicken
19 Noodle 402H Well. All of these wells are in the same
20 spacing unit, the W/2 of Section 2 and the NW/4 of Section
21 11, Township 26 South, Range 25 East in Eddy County, New
22 Mexico.

23 We have submitted our exhibits which include the
24 landman exhibit of Mr. Reeve Brunett. He previously
25 testified before the Division and had his testimony accepted

1 as a matter of record.

2 These -- the deadline to, to drill for these
3 wells was February 23, 2023. We did file our
4 application -- sorry, the deadline was February 23, 2022,
5 and we did file our applications prior to that time, and in
6 these applications we are seeking an amendment allowing
7 Titus to -- an amendment extending the time to commence
8 drilling to be no later than February 23, 2023.

9 We have attached the application. We have
10 attached the previous orders, and we have attached the
11 notice letter that went out to everyone by certified mail.

12 Also attached is my affidavit of notice
13 indicating that certified mail went out to everyone with an
14 interest in these wells. And I believe in this case
15 everyone actually received the certified mailing. We did
16 publish in an abundance of caution, but in this case since
17 everyone did receive delivery by certified mail, I don't
18 believe we will have an issue with the publication in this
19 instance.

20 With that, I would ask the Division to accept the
21 exhibits into the record and take this case under advisement
22 and extend the time for drilling these wells to February 23
23 of 2023, and I am happy to answer any questions.

24 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Ms. Ryan, any
25 questions?

1 MS. RYAN: No, and no objection.

2 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Mr. McClure?

3 TECHNICAL EXAMINER McCLURE: No questions on
4 these two cases.

5 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. And Ms.
6 Shaheen, I'll agree with you it appears there was personal
7 service on each of the interest owners that you are seeking
8 to pool, so I think you have met the notice requirements in
9 this case.

10 MS. SHAHEEN: Thank you.

11 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Are there any other
12 interested persons for Cases 22550 and 22551?

13 (No audible response.)

14 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Hearing none, Case
15 22550, 22551 will be taken under advisement and the exhibits
16 will be admitted into the record.

17 MS. SHAHEEN: Thank you.

18 (Exhibits admitted.)

19 (Taken under advisement.)

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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 extremely poor to good quality.

17 Dated this 3rd day of March 2022.

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/s/ Irene Delgado

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