

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 Case No. 22552.
Production, LLC, to Amend
Order R-21204
Lea County, New Mexico

Application of Titus Oil & Gas Case No. 22553
Production, LLC, to Amend
Order R-21205
Lea County, New Mexico

Application of Titus Oil & Gas Case No. 22556
Production, LLC, to Amend
Order R-21206
Lea County, New Mexico

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2022

STATUS CONFERENCE

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, William Brancard, Esq. Hearing Examiner, Leonard Lowe, Technical Examiner, on Thursday, March 17, 2022, via Webex Virtual Conferencing Platform hosted by the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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1 (Time noted 8:34 a.m.)

2 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Now I think I have three
3 cases together, 22552, 22553, 22555, Titus Oil & Gas.

4 MS. SHAHEEN: Good morning, Mr. Examiner.
5 Sharon Shaheen on behalf of Titus Oil & Gas.

6 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. Any other
7 interested persons for Cases 22552, -553, -556?

8 Hearing none, Ms. Shaheen where are we on
9 these cases?

10 MS. SHAHEEN: Thank you. These were similarly
11 continued because Notice was one day late, and so I
12 believe that time has passed. I'm unaware of any entries
13 of appearance.

14 EXAMINER BRANCARD: I'm not seeing any other
15 entries of appearance either.

16 Were there any other questions with these
17 cases?

18 MS. SHAHEEN: With respect to these cases, yes,
19 because we are requesting a second extension of time. And
20 I believe it was Mr. Garcia had the question as to whether
21 six months would be sufficient. And I've conferred with
22 Titus, and unfortunately six months does not work for
23 them. Their drilling schedule is somewhat elastic, and
24 the drilling of certain wells depends on the circumstance
25 of other wells, and they would really appreciate the

1 opportunity to work this into their schedule in the next
2 year.

3 The other question that Mr. Garcia had
4 related to the potash surface challenges. I believe that
5 related to the Covid-related labor shortages, getting the
6 staking done, getting reviews done, and then coordinating
7 with BLM to get the necessary approval.

8 EXAMINER BRANCARD: So, as I understand it, I
9 believe it was Mr. McClure who was the examiner.

10 MS. SHAHEEN: Oh.

11 EXAMINER BRANCARD: And he had brought up the
12 fact you already had the BLM approval. But you are saying
13 saying just because getting the BLM approvals took longer
14 than anticipated. Is that what you're saying?

15 MS. SHAHEEN: You know, I wasn't aware that they
16 already had the BLM approval, but apparently there has
17 been some issues with approvals that they have and they're
18 working out.

19 EXAMINER BRANCARD: So there is some sort of
20 follow-up to that with the BLM.

21 MS. SHAHEEN: There must be.

22 EXAMINER BRANCARD: With regard to the potash
23 area.

24 MS. SHAHEEN: That's right.

25 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Mr. Lowe, any questions.

1 EXAMINER LOWE: Give me an update on this case.

2 How many extensions were done for these previously?

3 MS. SHAHEEN: This is the second request for an
4 extension.

5 EXAMINER LOWE: And each request was how long?

6 MS. SHAHEEN: The first one was one year and now
7 we're seeking one more year.

8 EXAMINER LOWE: Okay. That's all my questions.

9 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. Are there any
10 other interested persons in Cases 22552, -553 and -556?

11 Hearing none, these cases will be taken
12 under advisement. Thank you.

13 (Time noted 8:38 a.m.)

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