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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: 22922, 22923

APPLICATIONS OF MATADOR PRODUCTION
COMPANY TO RE-OPEN CASES FOR
COMPULSORY POOLING,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS
EXAMINER HEARING
AUGUST 4, 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 JOHN GARCIA on
Thursday, August 4, 2022, through the Webex Platform.

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1 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: With that I will call
2 Items 26 and 27, in cases 22922, 22923, Matador Production.

3 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, Jim Bruce representing
4 Matador.

5 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Any other interested
6 persons for Cases 22922, 22923?

7 (No audible response.)

8 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Hearing none, Mr.
9 Bruce?

10 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, these two cases involve
11 reopening the two pooling cases to pool additional parties.
12 The matters were heard four weeks ago, and the usual
13 documents, exhibits were submitted to the Division.

14 As in the prior case, the affidavit of
15 publication was published in the wrong county. That has
16 been cured. I have submitted -- the Division asked for
17 several things.

18 I did a new affidavit of publication, that's
19 marked Exhibit E. It was timely filed -- published, I
20 should say, in Lea County. Additional green cards were
21 received, and those are marked Exhibit D and there is a
22 pooling -- a spreadsheet I submitted somewhere along the
23 way, but, yes, it's marked Exhibit -- I filed two
24 supplemental packages of exhibits, and there is a
25 spreadsheet on the status of certified notice as Exhibit H

1 with the notice status, and the parties that did not receive
2 notice did receive timely publication notice.

3 The Division also asked for the geology, so I
4 took the geology from the prior case and submitted that
5 supplementally as Exhibit G, which is now in the Division's
6 file. And then I prepared -- the Division requested I
7 prepare new pooling checklists, which I did, Exhibit F-2
8 pertains to Case 22923 and Exhibit F-1 refers to Case 22922,
9 but when I filed that it was a little confusing so I filed
10 the corrected Exhibit F-1 yesterday and that is in the
11 Division's file.

12 So I would move the admission of Exhibits E, F, G
13 and H and ask that the matter be taken under advisement.

14 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you.
15 Mr. Garcia, any questions?

16 TECHNICAL EXAMINER GARCIA: I have one. On the
17 checklist that you filed yesterday, Mr. Bruce. You have the
18 Cortell Federal Com 128H and then all the information
19 (inaudible). Is it the purpose to remove the 128 -- the way
20 I see it is --

21 MR. BRUCE: That is correct, and I can always
22 file it, but first I need an order out in case 22849 before
23 I can eliminate one of those orders, one of those wells,
24 which I will do once that order comes out in 22849.

25 TECHNICAL EXAMINER GARCIA: Okay. I guess I

1 don't (inaudible) time difference I will have to look, but,
2 yeah, basically I can check the form (inaudible) I don't
3 interpret it that way, I don't interpret orders, they both
4 (inaudible).

5 MR. BRUCE: I just put it that way just so I did
6 comply with the Division's request for revised pooling
7 checklists, but I can -- I will eliminate one of those wells
8 depending on the order in case 22849, and I will resubmit
9 that to the Division.

10 TECHNICAL EXAMINER GARCIA: Thank you. I will
11 recheck my notes to see -- to tie it back. That's all the
12 questions, Mr. Brancard.

13 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. Mr. Bruce
14 while you are correcting your checklists, you might correct
15 the date on there to 2022.

16 MR. BRUCE: I'm living in the past, Mr. Examiner.

17 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: And I would note that
18 for 923, your case -- your legal description is Lea County,
19 but your case title is Eddy County.

20 MR. BRUCE: I will correct it immediately. I
21 didn't know how I got one right and the other wrong.

22 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: You did actually --
23 they were both wrong and you corrected one, but you didn't
24 submit the second. Halfway there.

25 MR. BRUCE: Better than the usual.

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HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: All right. Any other interested persons for cases 22922, 22923?

(No audible response.)

HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Hearing none, the exhibits will be admitted into the record and the cases will be taken under advisement with the need to correct the checklist.

MR. BRUCE: Thank you.

HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you.

(Exhibits admitted.)

(Taken under advisement.)

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Dated this 4th day of August 2022.

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