

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:

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APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL
COMPANY FOR A NONSTANDARD
SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT,
COMPULSORY POOLING, AND AN
UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 15510

APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL
COMPANY FOR A NONSTANDARD
SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT,
COMPULSORY POOLING, AND AN
UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 15511

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EXAMINER HEARING

November 17, 2016

Santa Fe, New Mexico

BEFORE: MICHAEL McMILLAN, CHIEF EXAMINER
GABRIEL WADE, LEGAL EXAMINER

This matter came on for hearing before the
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, Michael McMillan,
Chief Examiner, and Gabriel Wade, Legal Examiner, on
Thursday, November 17, 2016, at the New Mexico Energy,
Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Wendell Chino
Building, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Porter Hall,
Room 102, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

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EXHIBITS OFFERED AND ADMITTED

(No exhibits)

1 (9:56 a.m.)

2 EXAMINER McMILLAN: Just to be clear, Cases
3 510 and 511 are consolidated?

4 MR. BRUCE: Yes.

5 EXAMINER McMILLAN: Okay. At this time I'd
6 like to call Case 15510, application of Mewbourne Oil
7 Company for a nonstandard spacing and proration unit,
8 compulsory pooling and an unorthodox gas well location,
9 Eddy County, New Mexico.

10 At the same time, I would like to call Case
11 Number 15511, application of Mewbourne Oil Company for a
12 nonstandard spacing and proration unit, compulsory
13 pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy
14 County, New Mexico.

15 Call for appearances.

16 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, Jim Bruce of
17 Santa Fe representing the Applicant.

18 EXAMINER McMILLAN: Are there any other
19 appearances?

20 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, in both of these
21 cases, the case -- the cases have been fully presented.
22 They were continued twice at the request of a third
23 party, who isn't here today, and I'm simply here to ask
24 that the cases be taken under advisement.

25 EXAMINER WADE: Did you hear from the third

1 party?

2 MR. BRUCE: Yeah. It was Joel Carson from
3 Roswell and Ernie Padilla, and their clients and mine
4 are trying to work a deal. But I told them I was going
5 to ask that the cases be taken under advisement.

6 EXAMINER WADE: I'm just curious if we've
7 got anything in our file, if we've heard anything from
8 Mr. Padilla.

9 MR. BRUCE: I can tell you what I will --
10 well, fact of the matter is they've requested three
11 continuances and so have I, so the cases have to be
12 taken under advisement. I'm not going to dismiss them.
13 These cases were too much of a mess in the first place.
14 They did not file a pre-hearing statement. They filed a
15 notice of appearance only.

16 EXAMINER WADE: Just one more question for
17 you. I mean, when they -- did they just -- did they
18 tell you they weren't showing up, they weren't going to
19 make --

20 MR. BRUCE: I talked to Joel Carson
21 yesterday, and I told him I was going to just ask that
22 the cases be taken under advisement.

23 EXAMINER WADE: What you just asked.

24 MR. BRUCE: And he said, I understand.

25 EXAMINER WADE: Is it Joel Carson, or is it

1 Ernie Padilla, or are they working together?

2 MR. BRUCE: Both. They're both.

3 EXAMINER McMILLAN: Okay. We're taking a
4 five-minute break.

5 EXAMINER WADE: What we're going to do is
6 just make sure we didn't receive some kind of email or a
7 fax.

8 MR. BRUCE: Okay. Sure.

9 EXAMINER WADE: That's it.

10 EXAMINER McMILLAN: Okay.

11 (Recess 9:59 a.m. to 10:06 a.m.)

12 EXAMINER McMILLAN: Okay. We are now back
13 on the record.

14 The OCD has not received an email or a fax
15 from either attorney for the affected parties.
16 Therefore, Case Number 15510 shall be taken under
17 advisement. Likewise, Case Number 15511 shall be taken
18 under advisement. And the emails and the faxes relate
19 to both cases. Thank you.

20 (Case Numbers 15510 and 15511 conclude,
21 10:06 a.m.)

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4 CERTIFICATE OF COURT REPORTER

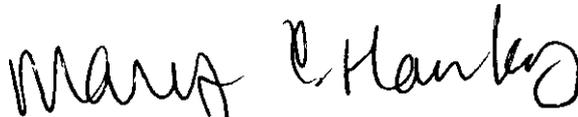
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15 the exhibits, if any, offered by the respective parties.

16 I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am neither
17 employed by nor related to any of the parties or
18 attorneys in this case and that I have no interest in
19 the final disposition of this case.

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