

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 PETROHAWK ENERGY)
CORPORATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO)
REACTIVATE A WATERFLOOD PROJECT,)
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO)

CASE NO. 13,891
Readvertised

ORIGINAL

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

BEFORE: DAVID R. CATANACH, Jr., Hearing Examiner

March 29th, 2007

Santa Fe, New Mexico

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, DAVID R. CATANACH, Hearing Examiner, on Thursday, March 29th, 2007, at the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, 1220 South Saint Francis Drive, Room 102, Santa Fe, New Mexico, Steven T. Brenner, Certified Court Reporter No. 7 for the State of New Mexico.

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A P P E A R A N C E S

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By: WILLIAM F. CARR

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1 WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had at
2 8:18 a.m.:

3 EXAMINER CATANACH: Call Case 13,891, which is
4 the readvertised Application of Petrohawk Energy
5 Corporation for authorization to reactivate a waterflood
6 project, Lea County, New Mexico.

7 Call for appearances.

8 MR. CARR: May it please the Examiner, my name is
9 William F. Carr with the Santa Fe office of Holland and
10 Hart, L.L.P. We represent Petrohawk Operating Corporation
11 in this matter.

12 Mr. Examiner, the case was presented to Examiner
13 Jones two weeks ago. At that time, and as you may recall,
14 soon after the case was docketed, it was discovered that we
15 had an error in our legal ad and had styled this as an
16 application for a saltwater disposal well.

17 We filed -- we readvertised the case, but the
18 time had not run two weeks ago. It has now. All
19 affidavits were previously filed, and so the notice period
20 has run and the case can now be taken under advisement.

21 It was also discovered that the actual name of
22 the entity that will be operating the waterflood is not
23 Petrohawk Energy Corporation, but Petrohawk Operating
24 Corporation. And at the request of Mr. Jones and, I
25 believe, Mr. Brooks, a revised C-108 has been filed

1 reflecting the correct name of the Applicant. And in
 2 discussions with Mr. Brooks we've concluded that that would
 3 not require readvertisement.

4 So as to the issues presented at the Examiner
 5 Hearing, I believe the matter is now concluded and can be
 6 taken under advisement. There may be some technical issues
 7 Mr. Jones has, but they're going to be pursued with Mr.
 8 Gutiérrez, the witness.

9 EXAMINER CATANACH: Okay, I was aware of Mr.
 10 Jones' communication with Mr. Gutiérrez about something
 11 that may be missing from the case file --

12 MR. CARR: Correct.

13 EXAMINER CATANACH: -- but that's going to be
 14 supplied.

15 MR. CARR: That would -- happy to be supplied, or
 16 we'd have to reopen at that time. But as to what was
 17 presented two weeks ago, that has been concluded, and the
 18 error in the ad has been corrected.

19 EXAMINER CATANACH: Okay. All-righty then, if
 20 there's nothing further in that case, Case 13,891 will be
 21 taken under advisement.

22 (Thereupon, these proceedings were concluded at
 23 8:20 a.m.)

24 I do hereby certify that the foregoing is
 25 a complete record of the proceedings in
 the Examiner hearing of Case No. 13891
 heard by me on March 29, 2007
David R. Hawk, Examiner

CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
) ss.
 COUNTY OF SANTA FE)

I, Steven T. Brenner, Certified Court Reporter and Notary Public, HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing transcript of proceedings before the Oil Conservation Division was reported by me; that I transcribed my notes; and that the foregoing is a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am not a relative or employee of any of the parties or attorneys involved in this matter and that I have no personal interest in the final disposition of this matter.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL March 29th, 2007.



STEVEN T. BRENNER
 CCR No. 7

My commission expires: October 16th, 2010