

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - THURSDAY – FEBRUARY 3, 2011

8:15 A.M. - 1220 South St. Francis
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Docket Nos. 5-11 and 6-11 are tentatively set for February 17, 2011 and March 3, 2011. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 30 days in advance of hearing date. OCD Rule 1211.B requires parties who intend to present evidence at an adjudicatory hearing to file a pre-hearing statement no later than the Thursday before the hearing, and serve a copy on opposing counsel of record. If the OCD does not receive a pre-hearing statement from the applicant by the close of business on the Thursday before the hearing, the hearing may be continued at the applicant's request. The following cases will be heard by an Examiner.

Locator Key for Cases

Case 8352 – No. 15
Case 14413 – No. 1
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1. ***CASE 14413:*** (Continued from the January 20, 2011 Examiner Hearing.)
Application of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for a Compliance Order against BTA Oil Producers LLC. he application affects the salt water disposal facility associated with the Pardue C 8808 JVP #001, 30- 015-26341, located in Unit "A," Section 11, Township 23 South, Range 28 East in Eddy County, New Mexico. The facility is located less than five miles Northeast of Loving, New Mexico on the Pecos River. The Applicant seeks an order finding the operator in violation of Order No. R-9147-C, 19.15.26.10.B NMAC, 19.15.34 NMAC, 19.15.17 NMAC and 19.15.29 NMAC; requiring the operator to submit a delineation report and complete remediation by dates certain; if operator fails to meet those deadlines ordering the operator to plug and abandon the well and remediate the site by a date certain and authorizing the Division to plug the well, remediate the site and forfeit the applicable financial assurance if the operator fails to meet that deadline; and holding the operator in violation of 19.15.5.9 NMAC or issue an equivalent order, to be kept in place until the operator completes the required corrective action or reimburses the Division for its costs in excess of the forfeited financial assurance to complete the required corrective action.
2. ***CASE 14522:*** (Continued from the December 16, 2010 Examiner Hearing.)
Application of Approach Operating, LLC for designation of a non-standard spacing unit, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order approving the formation of a non-standard oil well spacing and proration unit comprised of 31.7 + acres located in the NW/4 SW/4 of projected Section 21, T28N, R4E in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. The proposed non-standard unit will be dedicated to the following well to be drilled to the Mancos Shale formation, WC Tierra Amarilla Mancos Oil Pool (97767): Avella Sultemeier No. 2, API No. 30-39-30857, 1662' FSL and 6' FWL (L), Projected Section 21, T28N, R4E, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. The well and lands are located approximately four miles South of Tierra Amarilla, New Mexico.
3. ***CASE 14576:*** (Continued from the December 16, 2010 Examiner Hearing.)
Application of Approach Operating, LLC for an unorthodox well location and non-standard oil spacing and proration unit, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order approving the unorthodox well location and non-standard oil well spacing and proration unit comprised of 52.0 ± acres located in the NW/4 NW/4 of projected Section 3, T27N, R4E in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. The proposed non-standard unit will be dedicated to the following well to be drilled at an unorthodox well location to the Mancos Shale formation, WC Tierra Amarilla Mancos Oil Pool (97767):