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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
CASE 10,611

EXAMINER HEARING

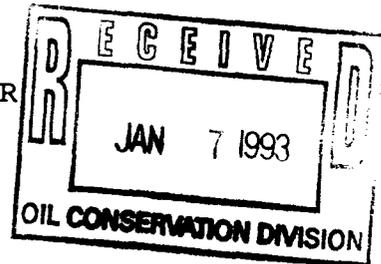
IN THE MATTER OF:

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion for an order creating, contracting and extending certain pools in Rio Arriba, Sandoval, and San Juan Counties, New Mexico

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

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BEFORE: DAVID R. CATANACH, EXAMINER



STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO  
December 3rd, 1992

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

3           EXAMINER CATANACH: Okay, at this time we'll  
4 call the hearing back to order and call Case 10,611, In  
5 the matter of the hearing called by the Oil  
6 Conservation Division on its own motion for an order  
7 creating, contracting and extending certain pools in  
8 Rio Arriba, Sandoval, and San Juan Counties, New  
9 Mexico.

10           Are there appearances in this case?

11           MR. STOVALL: Robert G. Stovall of Santa Fe,  
12 appearing on behalf of the Division.

13           And I have one witness.

14           EXAMINER CATANACH: Any other witnesses?

15           (Off the record)

16           EXAMINER CATANACH: Will the witness please  
17 stand to be sworn in?

18                       LARRY VAN RYAN,  
19 the witness herein, after having been first duly sworn  
20 upon his oath, was examined and testified as follows:

21                               DIRECT EXAMINATION

22           BY MR. STOVALL:

23           Q.    Would you please tell the Examiner who you  
24 are?

25           A.    My name is Larry Van Ryan and I'm the chief

1 petroleum engineer for the Oil Conservation Division.

2 Q. And have you testified before the Division  
3 previously and had your credentials accepted as a  
4 matter of record?

5 A. Yes, I have.

6 Q. Is it true here for the rare opportunity to  
7 do a nomenclature for Rio Arriba, Sandoval and San Juan  
8 Counties, New Mexico?

9 A. That's correct.

10 Q. And are you prepared to make specific  
11 recommendations with respect to those nomenclatures?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And is your recommendation denominated in the  
14 form of an exhibit?

15 A. It is in the form of an exhibit, and it is as  
16 included in the docket for Case Number 10,611.

17 Q. Specifically with respect to the exhibit,  
18 does it have a designation, or would you like to give  
19 it at this time?

20 A. As far as exhibit number, I'd say probably  
21 Exhibit Number 1.

22 MR. STOVALL: We'll call the nomenclature  
23 recommendation Exhibit Number 1, Mr. Examiner.

24 Q. (By Mr. Stovall) And have you carefully  
25 compared Exhibit Number 1 with the docket that's been

1 prepared for today's hearing, and are you aware of any  
2 changes?

3 A. I've been carefully considering it, but I'm  
4 not sure that I'm accurate, but I believe it is  
5 correct, yes.

6 Q. And it has been reviewed by the Division in  
7 accordance with its usual procedure; is that correct?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And prepared in the same manner?

10 A. Correct.

11 MR. STOVALL: Move the admission of Exhibit  
12 Number 1.

13 EXAMINER CATANACH: Exhibit Number 1 will be  
14 admitted as evidence.

15 MR. STOVALL: And I have nothing further in  
16 this case.

17 EXAMINER CATANACH: Mr. Stovall, at the  
18 conclusion of the November 19th docket, Mr. Stogner  
19 stated that this case was going to be continued to the  
20 3rd, and then subsequently to December 17th.

21 MR. STOVALL: That's because you harassed  
22 him, Mr. Examiner.

23 EXAMINER CATANACH: I know. But do you see  
24 any problem in taking this case under advisement at  
25 this time?

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MR. STOVALL: I see none whatsoever.

EXAMINER CATANACH: Okay.

MR. STOVALL: Inasmuch as you've gotten even with him for transferring the nomenclature to your docket.

EXAMINER CATANACH: There being nothing further, Case 10,611 will be taken under advisement.

(Thereupon, these proceedings were concluded at 1:20 p.m.)

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I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the proceedings in the Examiner hearing of Case No. 10611, heard by me on December 3, 1992.  
David R. Catanach, Examiner  
Oil Conservation Division

