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From: Suzanne Schreiber <sschreiber@tulsacf.org>
Date: May 24, 2018 at 10:53:11 PM MDT
To: "heather.riley@state.nm.us" <heather.riley@state.nm.us>
Subject: Case No:16193

Dear Director Riley:

RE: Case No:16193

I'm writing to ask that you remove or continue Case No:16193 from OCD's [May 31](#) Hearing. The case impacts my family ranch which my children enjoy now and I'd like for them and their cousins to continue to enjoy further than I can see into the future.

The public must have time to be informed and educated on the immediate and permanent damage that Hilcorp Energy Company's application in Case No:16193 could do if Hilcorp is allowed to remove well spacing decisions from the public Hearing process, as it has always been, and substitute instead an Administrative transaction between the oil company and your District Supervisor in Aztec, New Mexico. No public notice, no Hearing.

It further appears that Hilcorp's application would effectively remove the well spacing limits through an Exception decision, and again, a single individual, NMOCD's District Supervisor in Aztec, NM, would make that decision alone, and the public would be shut out.

It also appears that Hilcorp's application would not limit the District Supervisor's Administrative well spacing decisions to the re-completion of existing wells, but also to new wells. All without public participation.

It's offensive to think that a public entity would allow a large corporation to run roughshod over democracy like this, particularly in a place as proud of its land as New Mexico. I am sure you agree and will remove or delay Case No:16193.

To remove or delay Case No:16193 from the [May 31](#) Hearing causes Hilcorp

Energy Company no harm. They are now seeking, and receiving, well spacing Exceptions from NMOCD through the public Hearing process. There are, in fact, 11 applications for Exception on the [May 31](#) Agenda and another 6 applications for Exception on the [June 14](#) Agenda. To date in 2018, Hilcorp has applied for 92 Exceptions. Were Case No:16193 approved, none of those 92 Hilcorp Exception applications would even appear.

To preserve our New Mexico state democratic process, to insure Department transparency, and to fulfill NMOCD's obligation under Rule 19.15.4.11.C "...protection of the public health or the environment." I respectfully ask that you remove or continue Case No:16193 from the [May 31](#) Hearing.

Signed,

Suzanne E. Schreiber