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 PERCUSSION PETROLEUM CASE OPERATING, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 20231

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

February 7, 2019

Santa Fe, New Mexico

BEFORE: SCOTT DAWSON, CHIEF EXAMINER

KATHLEEN MURPHY, TECHNICAL EXAMINER TERRY WARNELL, TECHNICAL EXAMINER DAVID K. BROOKS, LEGAL EXAMINER

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, Scott Dawson, Chief Examiner; Kathleen Murphy and Terry Warnell, Technical Examiners; and David K. Brooks, Legal Examiner, on Thursday, February 7, 2019, 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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- 1 (11:29 a.m.)
- 2 EXAMINER DAWSON: That moves us down the
- 3 list to docket number 58 on the list -- sorry -- 59 on
- 4 the list, Case Number 20231, which is another Percussion
- 5 Petroleum Operating, LLC case, for compulsory pooling,
- 6 Eddy County, New Mexico. Ms. Kessler is the attorney of
- 7 record.
- When you're ready, Ms. Kessler.
- 9 MS. KESSLER: Thank you.
- 10 Mr. Examiners, this case will also be
- 11 presented by affidavit. It is -- in front of you is the
- 12 affidavit of Mr. Mike Roach. Again, he outlines his
- 13 credentials and expertise in the Permian Basin. He then
- 14 describes the spacing unit, which is the east half of
- 15 Section 23, incorporating the proximity tracts. And
- 16 this is the N. Seven Rivers Pool, 97565, again in
- 17 Section 23, Township 19 South, 25 East in Eddy County.
- 18 And the spacing unit will be dedicated to
- 19 four initial wells. He describes those wells, and
- 20 behind Tab A, you'll see the C-102s for each of those
- 21 well. It's the Shelby 23 2H, 3H, 4H and 5H.
- 22 EXAMINER BROOKS: Now, is this -- what is
- 23 the case number?
- 24 EXAMINER DAWSON: 20231.
- 25 EXAMINER BROOKS: 20231. Is this the

- 1 Shelby 2H, 3H, 4H and 5H?
- 2 EXAMINER DAWSON: Correct.
- 3 EXAMINER BROOKS: And it's 20231?
- 4 EXAMINER DAWSON: Yes.
- 5 EXAMINER BROOKS: Okay. I'm looking at the
- 6 right paper.
- 7 EXAMINER DAWSON: Okay.
- 8 MS. KESSLER: All right. Behind Tab B is
- 9 an ownership breakdown. They're seeking to pool just a
- 10 few unleased mineral owners, as well as MRC. Those
- interest owners are highlighted in green behind the
- 12 first page. On the second page of Tab B are the
- 13 overriding royalty interest owners.
- 14 Exhibit C is a copy of the well-proposal
- 15 letter and offer to lease that was sent to the working
- 16 interest owners and also the unleased mineral interest
- 17 owners, and behind these letters are AFEs for all four
- 18 wells. They're right around 4 million. The affidavit
- 19 also outlines Percussion's effort to reach an agreement
- 20 with these parties.
- 21 And I'll note that all of the working
- 22 interest owners and unleased mineral interest owners
- 23 were locatable.
- I'll move on to the geology exhibit, which
- 25 is behind Tab 2. And Mr. Lipinski has put together

1 several maps for the Yeso in this area, showing first

- 2 behind Tab A all four of the wells, and you'll see a
- 3 Strawn [sic] reference for stand-up wells.
- 4 Behind Tab B is a structure map of the
- 5 area, and there are no major structural changes, no
- 6 geologic impediments based on the structure in this
- 7 area.
- 8 C identifies the five wells that -- that
- 9 Mr. Lipinski used to put together his corresponding
- 10 cross-section exhibit, which is behind Tab D. And then
- 11 you'll see each of the targets, along with -- their TVDs
- 12 are called out. So four Yeso targets all within the
- 13 same pool, all of them in the same formation.
- 14 Mr. Lipinski notes in his affidavit that
- 15 each of these tracts will contribute more or less
- 16 equally to production to each of the wells, that the
- 17 south-to-north orientation is appropriate to effectively
- 18 drain the targeted reservoir.
- 19 Finally, he states that approval of this
- 20 application is in the best interest of conservation and
- 21 the prevention of waste.
- 22 You'll see my affidavit behind Tab 3, a
- 23 letter providing notice of this hearing. I mentioned
- 24 that all of the unleased mineral interest owners were
- 25 locatable. There were a few overriding royalty interest

1 owners who we received returned letters from, so we

- 2 published notice, and that's included in Exhibit 4.
- Mr. Examiners, I would move admission of
- 4 these exhibits, Exhibits 1 through 4.
- 5 EXAMINER DAWSON: Okay. At this point
- 6 Exhibits 1 through 4 and their attached exhibits will be
- 7 admitted to the record.
- 8 (Percussion Petroleum Operating, LLC
- 9 Exhibit Numbers 1 through 4 are offered and
- 10 admitted into evidence.)
- MS. KESSLER: And I would ask this case be
- 12 taken under advisement, unless there are any questions.
- 13 EXAMINER DAWSON: Does anyone have any
- 14 questions?
- 15 EXAMINER MURPHY: On 2D, on the Shelby and
- 16 the Parino well --
- 17 EXAMINER DAWSON: Which exhibit are you
- 18 looking at?
- 19 EXAMINER MURPHY: 2D, the cross section.
- 20 EXAMINER DAWSON: Okay.
- 21 EXAMINER MURPHY: What are the magenta dots
- 22 along the side of the well?
- 23 MS. KESSLER: I'd be happy to verify that
- 24 with the geologist. Typically, those are where those
- 25 logs -- those wells are completed.

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1	EXAMINER DAWSON: The pink perforations in	
2	the wellbore.	
3	EXAMINER MURPHY: Okay. Thank you.	
4	EXAMINER DAWSON: Is that all?	
5	EXAMINER MURPHY: That's all. Thank you.	
6	EXAMINER DAWSON: I have no questions.	
7	And with your request for Case Number 20231	
8	to be taken under advisement, at this time Case Number	
9	20231 will be taken under advisement.	
10	Thank you, Ms. Kessler.	
11	(Case Number 20231 concludes, 11:36 a.m.)	
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- 6 Reporter, New Mexico Certified Court Reporter No. 20,
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- I FURTHER CERTIFY that the Reporter's
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- 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.
- DATED THIS 7th day of March 2019.

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