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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 MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY CASE NO. 20499 FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

June 13, 2019

Santa Fe, New Mexico

## BEFORE: SCOTT DAWSON, CHIEF EXAMINER DAVID K. BROOKS, LEGAL EXAMINER

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, Scott Dawson, Chief Examiner, and David K. Brooks, Legal Examiner, on Thursday, June 13, 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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Page 3 (8:20 a.m.) 1 2 EXAMINER DAWSON: Okay. So at this point, we'll start on -- start on number 14, which is Case 3 Number 20499. It's Mewbourne Oil Company for compulsory 4 5 pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. б Please call for appearances. 7 MR. LARSON: Good morning, Mr. Examiner. 8 Gary Larson, of the Santa Fe office of Hinkle Shanor, 9 for the Applicant, Mewbourne Oil Company. MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, Jim Bruce of 10 11 Santa Fe representing ConocoPhillips Company. I have no 12 witnesses and have no objection to the case being done by affidavit. 13 14 EXAMINER DAWSON: Okay. MR. CARR: May it please the examiner, 15 16 William F. Carr, senior counsel to Concho Resources and appearing for COG. We do not have a witness, and we do 17 18 not object to the case going forward by affidavit. 19 EXAMINER DAWSON: Okay. Thank you. 20 Any other appearances? 21 When you're ready, Mr. Larson. 22 Do you have any witnesses? 23 MR. LARSON: I do not. I'm presenting my 24 case by affidavit. 25 EXAMINER DAWSON: Okay. Thank you.

Page 4 1 When you're ready, Mr. Larson. 2 MR. LARSON: Mr. Examiner, Mewbourne's application seeks the pooling of all uncommitted 3 interests in the Bone Spring Formation in a standard 4 400-acre horizontal spacing unit comprised of the north 5 half-north half of Section 3, the north half-south half 6 7 of Section 4 and the north half-southeast quarter of 8 Section 5, Township 20 South, Range 30 East in Eddy 9 County. The horizontal spacing unit will be dedicated to the Caballo -- that's C-A-B-A-L-L-O -- Loco 3/5 B2IJ 10 11 Fed Com #2H well. Exhibit 1 is a self-affirmed statement of 12 landman Mitch Robb of Mewbourne. The attachments to his 13 application -- or his affidavit -- I'm sorry -- include 14 a Midland Map identifying the horizontal spacing unit, a 15 16 chart of tract ownership, documents addressing Mr. Robb's well proposals, notice of today's hearing and 17 an AFE for the well. 18 19 I just realized I hadn't given exhibits to 20 Mr. Bruce and Mr. Carr. I don't want them to feel left 21 out. 22 EXAMINER DAWSON: Okay. 23 MR. LARSON: And as Mr. Robb notes in his 24 affidavit, there are no depth severances in the Bone 25 Spring Formation. Mewbourne is requesting overhead and

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Page 5 administrative costs of 8,000 a month and 800 a month, 1 2 which are the same as the rates in Mewbourne's joint operating agreement for the well. And finally, 3 Mewbourne requests a 200 percent risk penalty. 4 5 Exhibit 2 is a self-affirmed statement of the geologist, Charles Crosby, of Mewbourne. Attached 6 7 to Mr. Crosby's affidavit are a structure map at the 8 base of the 3rd Bone Spring Sand, a gross sand isopach 9 map and a west-to-east cross section, a table containing 10 data from other Bone Spring wells in the vicinity and a 11 survey calculation report for the proposed report. And 12 as stated in Mr. Crosby's affidavit, the horizontal spacing unit is justified from a geologic standpoint. 13 Α west-to-east or west-to-east orientation is preferred in 14 this area. There is no faulting or other geologic 15 16 impediment that might adversely affect the drilling of the proposed well, and each quarter section in the 17 18 proposed unit will contribute more or less equally to production. 19 20 And with that, I move the admission of Mewbourne Exhibits 1 and 2. 21 22 EXAMINER DAWSON: Any objections? 23 MR. BRUCE: No objection. 24 MR. CARR: No objection. EXAMINER DAWSON: At this time Exhibits 1 25

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Page 6 and 2 will be admitted to the record. 1 2 (Mewbourne Oil Company Exhibit Numbers 1 3 and 2 are offered and admitted into evidence.) 4 MR. LARSON: And I have nothing further. 5 EXAMINER DAWSON: Any questions, Mr. Bruce? 6 7 MR. BRUCE: No questions. 8 EXAMINER DAWSON: Mr. Carr? 9 MR. CARR: No questions. EXAMINER DAWSON: Mr. Brooks? 10 11 EXAMINER BROOKS: No questions. 12 EXAMINER DAWSON: I have no questions. 13 MR. LARSON: I'd ask that the case be taken under advisement. 14 EXAMINER DAWSON: Okay. At this point Case 15 Number 20499 will be taken under advisement. 16 17 Thank you very much. 18 MR. LARSON: Thank you, Mr. Examiner. 19 (Case Number 20499 concludes, 8:24 a.m.) 20 21 22 23 24 25

Page 7 1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO 2 COUNTY OF BERNALILLO 3 CERTIFICATE OF COURT REPORTER 4 5 I, MARY C. HANKINS, Certified Court Reporter, New Mexico Certified Court Reporter No. 20, 6 7 and Registered Professional Reporter, do hereby certify 8 that I reported the foregoing proceedings in 9 stenographic shorthand and that the foregoing pages are a true and correct transcript of those proceedings that 10 were reduced to printed form by me to the best of my 11 12 ability. 13 I FURTHER CERTIFY that the Reporter's Record of the proceedings truly and accurately reflects 14 the exhibits, if any, offered by the respective parties. 15 16 I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am neither employed by nor related to any of the parties or 17 18 attorneys in this case and that I have no interest in 19 the final disposition of this case. 20 DATED THIS 30th day of June 2019. 21 22 MARY C. HANKINS, CCR, RPR 23 Certified Court Reporter New Mexico CCR No. 20 Date of CCR Expiration: 12/31/2019 24 Paul Baca Professional Court Reporters 25