

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. 20494
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY,
NEW MEXICO.

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

June 13, 2019

Santa Fe, New Mexico

BEFORE: WILLIAM V. JONES, CHIEF EXAMINER
 DAVID K. BROOKS, LEGAL EXAMINER

This matter came on for hearing before the
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, William V. Jones,
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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1 (4:27 p.m.)

2 EXAMINER JONES: Let's call Case 20494,
3 application of Mewbourne Oil Company for compulsory
4 pooling in Eddy County, New Mexico.

5 Call for appearances.

6 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, Jim Bruce of
7 Santa Fe representing the Applicant. I am submitting
8 this case by affidavit. And let me make sure I have
9 the -- I need a new prescription. I can't read this
10 fine print anymore.

11 (Discussion off the record.)

12 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, I've handed you a
13 package of exhibits. In this case Mewbourne seeks to
14 force pool the south half-south half of Section 36 and
15 the south half-southeast of Section 35, 17 South, 30
16 East in the Bone Spring Formation for its Gemini 36/35
17 B2PO Fed Com Well #1H, a horizontal well. This
18 application is to force pool only record title owners.

19 EXAMINER JONES: Okay.

20 MR. BRUCE: And this matter -- for the
21 working interest owners, it was previously heard in Case
22 Number 16490, and an order was issued, Order R-20455,
23 force pooling all of the working interest owners. And
24 geology was presented at that time, so I'm not
25 re-presenting the geology.

1 EXAMINER JONES: Okay.

2 MR. BRUCE: If you look at Exhibit 1, the
3 affidavit of the landman, obviously there is a land
4 plat. And if you go back to Attachment B, you'll see
5 the record title owners listed, and there is asterisk by
6 the ones who are being force pooled, the ones who never
7 responded to the correspondence, which is also attached.
8 Again, record title only. Not seeking any penalty, not
9 seeking any overhead rates, nothing. They own bare
10 record title in the Bone Spring Formation.

11 Exhibit 2 is my notice letter.

12 And I didn't get many green cards back, but
13 Exhibit 3 is the Affidavit of Publication in the
14 Carlsbad newspaper whereby each and every one of the --
15 one, two, three, four -- five non-signing record title
16 owners were notified by publication. And this is
17 necessary in order to get a com agreement signed by
18 the -- approved by the BLM.

19 EXAMINER BROOKS: So I have heard.

20 MR. BRUCE: And so with that, I'd simply
21 move the admission of Exhibits 1 through 3 and ask that
22 the case be taken under advisement.

23 EXAMINER JONES: Exhibits 1, 2 and 3 are
24 admitted.

25 (Mewbourne Oil Company Exhibit Numbers 1

1 through 3 are offered and admitted into
2 evidence.)

3 EXAMINER JONES: Did you say this case was
4 a re-opened case?

5 MR. BRUCE: Well, I really didn't re-open
6 it. I just filed it as a -- but it was 14690.

7 EXAMINER JONES: Got it.

8 And 20494 is taken under advisement.

9 (Case Number 20494 concludes, 4:33 p.m.)

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4 CERTIFICATE OF COURT REPORTER

5 I, MARY C. HANKINS, Certified Court
6 Reporter, New Mexico Certified Court Reporter No. 20,
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
10 a true and correct transcript of those proceedings that
11 were reduced to printed form by me to the best of my
12 ability.

13 I FURTHER CERTIFY that the Reporter's
14 Record of the proceedings truly and accurately reflects
15 the exhibits, if any, offered by the respective parties.

16 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.

20 DATED THIS 30th day of June 2019.

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