

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

IN THE MATTTTER OF THE HEARING CALLED  
BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR

CASE NO. 21376

APPLICATION OF WPX ENERGY PERMIAN  
TO RESCIND DIVISION APPROVAL OF  
PERMITS TO DRILL FILED BY TAP ROCK  
RESOURCES, LLC, IN EDDY COUNTY  
NEW MEXICO

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS.

EXAMINER HEARING.  
(Status Conference)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2020

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

This matter came on for hearing before the  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, Felicia Orth,  
Hearing Examiner, Scott Cox Technical Examiner, on  
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1 (Time noted 9:47 a.m. )

2 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Case 21376. The  
3 applicant is WPX Energy Permian. This is an Application  
4 for a Miscellaneous Order. The well name is WTG Federal.

5 Mr. Feldewert are you here for the  
6 Applicant?

7 MR. FELDEWERT: Yes. Michael Feldewert for the  
8 Santa Fe office of Holland & Hart on behalf of WPX  
9 Permian.

10 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: All right. Then I see  
11 Tap Rock entered an appearance. Mr. Bruce?

12 MR. BRUCE: That's correct. I'm here on behalf  
13 of Tap Rock.

14 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Let me ask if there are  
15 any other appearances this morning

16 No. All right. And I see that we are  
17 having a status conference.

18 Mr. Feldewert.

19 MR. FELDEWERT: Madam Examiner, this case I  
20 think is now related to Case 21402, which is a pooling  
21 application that Tap Rock has filed for at least some of  
22 the wells that are involved in this particular matter for  
23 WPX. That Tap Rock pooling application has been continued  
24 until the September 24th docket. It's my understanding,  
25 and Mr. Bruce can confirm, that the parties are in some

1 serious settlement discussions. We are hoping that this  
2 is going to be resolved.

3 So I think what would make the most sense  
4 is that we move this status conference to September 24th,  
5 and that way both cases, both our Application to Rescind  
6 their APDs and their Pooling Applications will be on the  
7 same docket. And Mr. Bruce and I, I think, are both  
8 hopeful that we can dismiss both matters at that time.

9 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: All right. Thank you.

10 Mr. Bruce?

11 MR. BRUCE: I agree with Mr. Feldewert.

12 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: All right. If you would  
13 then please move this through the fee portal to the  
14 September 24th docket, and we will address both matters at  
15 that time.

16 MR. BRUCE: Thank you.

17 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Thank you.

18 (Time noted 9:48 a.m.)

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/s/ Mary Macfarlane

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