

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:

CASE NOS: 21494

APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

NOVEMBER 5, 2020

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

This matter came on for virtual hearing before
the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, HEARING OFFICER
FELICIA ORTH and TECHNICAL EXAMINERS DYLAN ROSE-COSS on
Thursday, November 5, 2020, through the Webex Platform.

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1 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Let's move then to 21494.
2 Mewbourne Oil is the applicant, compulsory pooling
3 application, the well name is El Jefe. Mr. Bruce, you are
4 here for the applicant?

5 MR. BRUCE: Yes, I am.

6 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: I don't see any other
7 entries of appearance in the record. Let me pause for a
8 moment to see if there are any this morning.

9 (No audible response.)

10 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: No? Please go ahead.

11 MR. BRUCE: In this case Mewbourne seeks to force
12 pool the W/2 of Section 35, 24 South, 28 East, and the W/2
13 of Section 2, 25 South, 28 East for a couple of -- actually,
14 four Purple Sage Wolfcamp gas wells.

15 The wells are the El Jefe 35/2 wells. Two of --
16 let me see. Make sure I have the right -- yes. They are
17 both Upper -- or all of the wells are Upper Wolfcamp wells.
18 One of them is a Wolfcamp Sage -- Wolfcamp Sand, and I
19 believe another set of them are just below that in the Upper
20 Wolfcamp Shale.

21 The landman, Mitch Robb, has previously testified
22 before the Division as an expert, and his affidavit contains
23 the usual information on what was done to locate the parties
24 and contains information on the overhead rates, et cetera.

25 There are plats identifying the different tracts

1 in the well unit and the different leasehold ownership.
2 Mewbourne does seek to force pool about 25 percent of the
3 interest in the well unit, and the interest owners being
4 pooled are denoted on the tract ownership list by an
5 asterisk.

6 The geologist Charles Crosby has previously
7 testified before the Division as an expert geologist, and he
8 also submits the usual structure map, cross sections showing
9 that the wells should be drilled as horizontal wells, and
10 that in this area the Wolfcamp preferred orientation is
11 north to south.

12 My notice affidavit sent out to all the parties
13 being pooled contained -- there is a few envelopes that I
14 did not receive back, or green cards, but notice was
15 published in the Carlsbad newspaper, and that is shown on
16 Exhibit 5, so everyone received actual or constructive
17 notice.

18 And then Exhibit 6 is the pooling checklist.

19 I believe all the necessary info is located in
20 the packet, and I would move the admission of Exhibits 1
21 through 6 and ask that the matter be taken under advisement.

22 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: All right. Thank you,
23 Mr. Bruce. Mr. Rose-Coss, do you have any questions?

24 TECHNICAL EXAMINER COSS: I do not have any
25 questions for Mr. Bruce at this time. Thank you, Ms. Orth.

1 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Thank you, Mr. Bruce.
2 Your exhibits are admitted and the matter will be taken
3 under advisement.

4 MR. BRUCE: Thank you.

5 (Exhibits admitted.)

6 (Taken under advisement.)

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4 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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6 I, IRENE DELGADO, New Mexico Certified Court
7 Reporter, CCR 253, do hereby certify that I reported the
8 foregoing virtual proceedings in stenographic shorthand and
9 that the foregoing pages are a true and correct transcript
10 of those proceedings to the best of my ability.

11 I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am neither employed by
12 nor related to any of the parties or attorneys in this case
13 and that I have no interest in the final disposition of this
14 case.

15 I FURTHER CERTIFY that the Virtual Proceeding was
16 of poor to good quality.

17 Dated this 5th day of November 2020.

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/s/ Irene Delgado

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