

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: 21538 21539

APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING LLC
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

DECEMBER 3, 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 EXAMINER BAYLEN LAMKIN on
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1 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Let's move then to
2 matters 21538 and 21539. The applicant is COG Operating,
3 these are compulsory pooling applications. The well name is
4 Fez. Who is here from Hinkle Shanor for the applicant?

5 MS. HARDY: Good morning, Madam Examiner. Dana
6 Hardy with the Santa Fe office of Hinkle Shanor on behalf of
7 COG Operating.

8 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Good morning, Ms. Hardy.
9 And has Franklin Mountain Energy entered an appearance here
10 as well? Ms. Bennett, are you here for them?

11 MS. HARDY: Madam Examiner, I believe that that
12 was an error in the hearing sheet. Franklin Mountain Energy
13 has not entered an appearance. I confirmed that earlier.

14 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Oh, well, thank you, Ms.
15 Hardy. Let me pause for a moment to see if there are any
16 other entries of appearance in 21538 or 21539.

17 (No audible response.)

18 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: I hear nothing. Please
19 proceed.

20 MS. HARDY: Thank you, Madam Examiner. In Case
21 Number 21538, COG seeks an order pooling all uncommitted
22 mineral interests in the Wolfbone Pool underlying a 320.81
23 acre more-or-less horizontal spacing unit comprised of Lot 1
24 in the SE/4 of the NE/4 and the E/2 of the SE/4 of irregular
25 Section 4, which is the equivalent of the E/2 E/2 of that

1 section, and the E/2 E/2 of Section 9, Township 25 South,
2 Range 35 East in Lea County.

3 And in Case 21539, COG seeks an order pooling all
4 uncommitted mineral interest in the Wolfbone pool underlying
5 400.83 acre more-or-less standard horizontal spacing unit
6 comprised of the W/2 of the E/2 of Section 9, Township 25
7 South, Range 35 East, Lot 2, the SW/4 of the NE/4 and the
8 W/2 of the SE/4 of irregular Section 4 which is the
9 equivalent of the W/2 of the E/2 that section, Township 25
10 South, Range 35 East, and the W/2 SE/4 of Section 33,
11 Township 25 South, Range 35 East in Lea County.

12 We have provided with our exhibits packets the
13 compulsory pooling checklist and the affidavits of landman
14 Megan Tipton and geologist Allison Holcomb. The land
15 ownership information is in Exhibit 3 to the Tipton
16 affidavit and it sets out the tract, the interest in each
17 tract, identifies the pooled parties that were highlighted,
18 and also indicates a few of the interest owners as ().
19 That's all the land ownership information.

20 Notice was timely provided to all the parties ().
21 The hearing notice is in Exhibit 8 in each case, Exhibit
22 A-8, and it was provided more than 20 days prior to hearing.
23 And the notice was also published and the publication
24 notices are provided in Exhibit A-9 in each case.

25 And the Ms. Holcum's affidavit does provide the

1 standard geology information, location map, structure map
2 cross section map, and a stratigraphic cross sections.

3 With that, I would ask that the exhibits be
4 accepted into the record and the case be taken under
5 advisement.

6 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Thank you, Ms. Hardy.
7 Mr. Lamkin, do you have any questions of Ms. Hardy?

8 TECHNICAL EXAMINER LAMKIN: No questions.
9 Thanks.

10 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Thank you.

11 I will admit the exhibits and the matters will be
12 taken under advisement.

13 (Exhibits admitted.)

14 (Taken under advisement.)

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4 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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

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

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

16 Dated this 3rd day of December 2020.

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/s/ Irene Delgado

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