

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 Matador Production
Company to Amend Order R-21219,
Eddy County, New Mexico.

Case No. 21705

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 2021

This matter came on for hearing before the
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, WILLIAM
BRANCARD, Hearing Examiner, JOHN GARCIA, Technical
Examiner, via Cisco Webex Virtual Meeting Platform

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10 APPLICANT WITNESSES:

11 SARAH HARTSFIELD (Landman) By Affidavit:

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13 E X H I B I T I N D E X

14 MATADOR PRODUCTION EXHIBITS

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1 (Time noted 8:56 a.m.)

2 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Item No. 21 on
3 today's agenda that is Case No. 21705, Matador Production,
4 the Jack Sleeper well.

5 Mr. Bruce, are you here for Matador?

6 MR. BRUCE: Yes, I am.

7 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. Are there any
8 other parties for this Case 21705? (Note: No response.)

9 Hearing none, Mr. Bruce you may proceed.

10 MR. BRUCE: In this case -- well, in the
11 original case under Order 21219 Matador obtained the
12 compulsory pooling of the west half/west half of Sections
13 9 and 16, and 23 South, 28 East, for purposes of drilling
14 to the Bone Spring Formation, the Jack Sleeper 111 and 112
15 wells. That Order was under an older form that requires
16 the applicant to seek an extension of the well
17 commencement deadline by applying for a hearing, and
18 that's why they're here today.

19 They request that Order R-21218, which
20 expires relatively soon, be extended for one year to April
21 of 2022. The reason for the request is that the low
22 commodity prices in 2020 caused Matador to reduce its rate
23 count, but that delayed the drilling of its plans to
24 develop this acreage. But it still intends to drill the
25 well, and therefore it asks for the extra year.

1 The testimony of the landman is submitted,
2 whose name is Sarah Hartsfield, is attached as Exhibit 2,
3 and it explains this, and it contains Attachment 1, which
4 is the original Order which was in Case 20678, and then
5 the new Proposed Order or the new template of Order,
6 Exhibit 3, is the Affidavit of Notice. Notice was given
7 of this application to all of the parties who were pooled
8 in the original case, and I did not receive several green
9 cards back, but Exhibit 4 is the Affidavit of Publication,
10 and thus everybody received Notice either actually or
11 constructively.

12 And so I believe the exhibit package is
13 complete, and I would ask Exhibit 1 through 4 be admitted
14 into evidence and that the case be taken under advisement.

15 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Mr. Garcia, any
16 questions?

17 EXAMINER GARCIA: I have no questions.

18 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. All
19 right. With that the exhibits are admitted and Case 21705
20 is taken under the advisement. Thank you, Mr. Bruce.

21 (Time noted 9:00 a.m.)

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3 COUNTY OF TAOS)

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14 nor related to nor contracted with (unless excepted by the
15 rules) any of the parties or attorneys in this case, and
16 that I have no interest whatsoever in the final
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/s/ Mary Macfarlane

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