

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:

Applications of Mewbourne Oil Case Nos. 21715, 21716
Company for compulsory pooling, 21717, 21718
Eddy County, New Mexico.

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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1 (Time noted 8:47 a.m.)

2 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Next on the list, I
3 think you're up again Mr. Bruce, there are four cases for
4 Mewbourne Oil: 21715, 21716, 21717, and 21718.

5 Mr. Bruce, are you here for Mewbourne on
6 these cases?

7 MR. BRUCE: Yes, I am.

8 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: All right. Are
9 there any other parties interested in these cases? (Note:
10 No response.)

11 Hearing silence, Mr. Bruce are you ready to
12 proceed by affidavit on these cases?

13 MR. BRUCE: Yes.

14 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. Please do.

15 MR. BRUCE: In these cases collectively
16 Mewbourne seeks to force pool the Wolfcamp Formation
17 underlying the east half of Section 11 and all of Section
18 12.

19 And there are four wells. You know, the
20 north half/north half of those tracts, and the south
21 half/north half, the north half/south half, and the south
22 half/south half. Those Sections, or those Sections or
23 half Sections, they're dedicated to the Cholulah 12/11
24 Wolfcamp wells. They are laydown units.

25 There are four affidavits from the landman

1 Mitch Robb. One mistake I made is that I marked the
2 landman's Exhibits 3A through 3D. They should have all
3 been 2A through 2D. They are all very identical. They
4 describe the lands involved, the overhead rates they
5 request, contain the land plats, C-102s, and a detailed
6 description of land and tract ownership in this area.

7 The Proposal Letters are attached as are
8 the AFEs. Very simple, and it contains all the basic
9 information OCD requires.

10 There is a lot of pages, contains most --
11 there was a lot of issues going on. I heard a lot of
12 contact with the clients, I should say the parties being
13 pooled. So the package of the exhibits is rather thick.

14 Exhibit 3 itself, that's just a single
15 affidavit of the geologist Charles Crosby. The geology is
16 the same for all four applications: It has the cross
17 section isopach and structure map. The target zone is the
18 very upper Wolfcamp Sand.

19 There is not much production in the
20 immediate area but the most recent wells drilled have
21 proved fairly prolific, and they are east/west wells. And
22 that seems to be what the people are drilling in this
23 area, so that's justified.

24 Exhibit 4 is my Affidavit of Notice.

25 And everybody who was pooled in Cases

1 21715 and 21717 received actual notice, and the other two
2 matters there was one entity, Locker Brothers, which did
3 not receive actual notice.

4 I did not get a green card back from Devon
5 Energy, but the U.S. Postal records show they received
6 Notice.

7 And the same situation, there are some
8 people who did not receive actual Notice, or at least I
9 didn't get their green cards back; however, Publication
10 Notice was given of all to everyone.

11 Exhibits 5A and 5B are the Publication
12 Affidavit for the two cases -716 and -718 that showed that
13 everyone was given publication by Notice; therefore Notice
14 is complete.

15 Then Exhibits 6A through 6D are the pooling
16 checklists.

17 So the exhibit packages are complete. I'd
18 ask that Exhibits 1 through 6 be admitted into the record
19 and the cases be taken under advisement.

20 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Mr. Garcia, any
21 questions?

22 EXAMINER GARCIA: No.

23 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Do we have any
24 another concerns from anyone? Last call.

25 All right. Hearing no other concerns or

1 objections, we will admit the exhibits in this matter and
2 take Cases 21715, 21716, 21717, 21718 under advisement.

3 MR. BRUCE: Thank you.

4 (Time noted 8:53 am.)

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/s/ Mary Macfarlane

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