

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: 21709 - 21711

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

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS
EXAMINER HEARING
March 4, 2021
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
Thursday, March 4, 2021, through the Webex Platform.

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1 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Moving then to the next
2 three matters, 21709, 21710 and 21711. Mewbourne Oil is the
3 applicant. These are compulsory pooling applications. Easy
4 Company is the name of the well. Mr. Bruce, you are here
5 for the applicant?

6 MR. BRUCE: Correct.

7 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Let me pause for a moment
8 in the event there are other entries.

9 (No audible response.)

10 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: No? If you would,
11 please, go ahead.

12 MR. BRUCE: In these three cases, all three --
13 the wells involved in all three cases were pooled in 2020,
14 and the pooling orders expired in February or were set to
15 expire in February, so we just refiled the pooling
16 applications.

17 Case 21709 was the same as original Case 21001.
18 Case 21710 is the same as original Case 21002, and Case
19 21711 is the same as original case 21000. And in those
20 cases, the first case sought to force pool the N/2 N/2 of
21 Section 36, and N/2 NE of Section 35 as to the Bone Spring
22 formation. That's in 20 South, 28 East.

23 In the second case, Mewbourne sought to force
24 pool the S/2 N/2 of Section 36 and S/2 NE of Section 35 in
25 the Bone Spring formation. That would be Case 21710.

1 And in this case 27111, they sought to force pool
2 the N/2 of Section 36 and the N/2 and NE/4 of Section 35 of
3 20 South, 28 East.

4 As to the Wolfcamp formation, again, a number of
5 people were force pooled at the original hearings, but only
6 one party remained subject to the pooling orders, and that
7 party is EOG Resources. There is a couple of things that I
8 would note, which is, first of all, I opened up my file this
9 morning and noticed that the pooling checklist which I had
10 updated were just sitting in the file and I hadn't filed
11 those, and I would ask permission to file those updated
12 pooling checklists later this morning.

13 And then the other factor that plays in is, I
14 gave proper notice to EOG, but I never received a green card
15 back. And I don't -- if the matter needs to be continued,
16 I would ask -- I do not object to that continuance, and I
17 would file through the fee portal just so we can verify that
18 EOG Resources did indeed receive notice.

19 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Okay. Mr. Lamkin, any
20 question or direction on that?

21 TECHNICAL EXAMINER LAMKIN: So what exactly is it
22 that you would want to file through the fee portal?

23 MR. BRUCE: Well, the -- what I did, of course,
24 was take the old exhibit packets and submit them, and the
25 old pooling checklists were attached to those exhibit

1 packets and I meant to submit ones that showed the current
2 case names and dates. Other than that nothing really
3 changed, but I would like to file those. So assuming orders
4 are granted, the pooling checklist will correspond with the
5 cases and hearing dates.

6 TECHNICAL EXAMINER LAMKIN: Okay. When you, when
7 file that, can you also send another copy of this exhibit
8 file? It seems like this one is corrupted as well.

9 MR. BRUCE: What's that now? A copy of what?

10 TECHNICAL EXAMINER LAMKIN: The exhibit packet
11 for this --

12 MR. BRUCE: Oh, okay. Okay. I will do that.

13 TECHNICAL EXAMINER LAMKIN: Okay, thank you.

14 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Mr. Lamkin, specifically
15 as to the green card that was not received back, although
16 notice was sent out, the green card wasn't received back, do
17 you believe a continuance to a subsequent session is
18 necessary?

19 TECHNICAL EXAMINER LAMKIN: I don't believe so.
20 You were -- you filed notice and published also, or was
21 that not --

22 MR. BRUCE: No, I didn't. I presumed EOG
23 Resources was findable.

24 TECHNICAL EXAMINER LAMKIN: Do you by chance have
25 a tracking number?

1 MR. BRUCE: I do. And I went on there about 8
2 o'clock this morning and it didn't say anything.

3 TECHNICAL EXAMINER LAMKIN: If you can -- if you
4 can submit the tracking number to us, that should be
5 sufficient, I believe.

6 MR. BRUCE: Okay. Anyway, I would move -- I
7 marked the exhibits X, which is my statement as to the short
8 history of the cases in question, and then exhibits 1
9 through 4, I would move their admission.

10 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: All right. So subject to
11 the updated list, the pooling list, and the provision of an
12 uncorrupted file and the provision of a tracking number for
13 the notice to EOG, and the exhibits are admitted and matters
14 taken under advisement. Mr. Lamkin, just double checking,
15 did you have any other questions?

16 TECHNICAL EXAMINER LAMKIN: I don't have any more
17 questions, thank you.

18 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: All right. Thank you.
19 And thank you, Mr. Bruce.

20 MR. BRUCE: Thank you.

21 (Exhibits admitted.)

22 (Taken under advisement.)

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4 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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