

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: 21816

APPLICATION OF TAP ROCK RESOURCES LLC
TO AMEND ORDER R-21255,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS
EXAMINER HEARING
APRIL 8, 2021
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

This matter came on for virtual hearing before
the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, HEARING OFFICER
WILLIAM BRANCARD and TECHNICAL EXAMINER DEAN McCLURE on
Thursday, April 8, 2021, through the Webex Platform.

Reported by: Irene Delgado, NMCCR 253
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1 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Item Number 41 is
2 Case 21816, Tap Rock Resources. Mr. Bruce?

3 MR. BRUCE: Yes, I'm here on behalf of Tap Rock.

4 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Are there any other
5 parties or interested persons in this case?

6 (No audible response.)

7 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Hearing none, you may
8 proceed, Mr. Bruce.

9 MR. BRUCE: In this case Tap Rock seeks the
10 amendment of Order Number R-21255 which pooled the Bone
11 Spring Formation under a proximity tract horizontal unit
12 comprised of the W/2 of Section 4 and the W/2 of Section 9
13 in a 24 South, 33 East, Lea County, where Matador is
14 planning on drilling in the Wolfcamp wells.

15 The order was issued on April 13 as shown in the
16 application of the proposed ad, and they are marked Exhibit
17 1.

18 Exhibit 2 is the statement of Erica Hixson who
19 has previously been qualified as an expert petroleum landman
20 by the Division. Contains the usual information, and the
21 reason is the commodity pricing which caused a number of
22 companies to not cease drilling, but minimize their drilling
23 activities and now they are trying to catch up and drill
24 this well. The pooling order will expire April 13 without
25 the extension.

1 Exhibit 3 is my affidavit of mailing to the
2 parties by certified mail, and there is some green cards
3 that didn't come back. And I checked with the postal
4 service, there were a couple that were marked undeliverable,
5 but I haven't gotten the envelopes back yet.

6 But Exhibit 4 is an affidavit of publication in
7 the Lea County -- or I should say, in the Hobbs newspaper,
8 the News Sun, and so all parties received adequate notice,
9 and we would ask the admission of Exhibits 1 through 4 and
10 ask that the matter be taken under advisement.

11 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. Mr.
12 McClure, any questions?

13 TECHNICAL EXAMINER McCLURE: No, Mr. Brancard, I
14 have no questions regarding this case.

15 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Once again, any other
16 interested parties in Case 21816?

17 (No audible response.)

18 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Hearing none, the
19 exhibits in this matter will be admitted and case 21816 will
20 be taken under advisement.

21 (Exhibits admitted.)

22 (Taken under advisement.)

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1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO
2 COUNTY OF BERNALILLO

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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 8th day of April 2021.

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/s/ Irene Delgado

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Irene Delgado, NMCCR 253
License Expires: 12-31-21

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