

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 NO: 21897

APPLICATION OF MATADOR PRODUCTION
COMPANY TO AMEND ORDER NO. R-21274
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO: 21898

APPLICATION OF MATADOR PRODUCTION
COMPANY TO AMEND ORDER NO. R-21268
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS
EXAMINER HEARING
MAY 20, 2021
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, HEARING EXAMINER WILLIAM BRANCARD and TECHNICAL EXAMINER KURT SIMMONS, on Thursday, May 20, 2021, through the Webex Virtual Platform.

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16 SUMMARY OF CASE AND EXHIBITS

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1 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Following that, we
2 have two other proposed amendments to orders also from
3 Matador Production. And this is Items 32 and 33, Cases
4 21897, 21898, Matador Production.

5 Mr. Bruce, are you here for them?

6 JAMES BRUCE: Yes.

7 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you.

8 EOG Resources?

9 Holland & Hart?

10 ADAM RANKIN: Sorry, Mr. Examiner. Again,
11 Adam Rankin, Holland & Hart.

12 I'm having a hard time finding the mute
13 button.

14 I'm appearing on behalf of the EOG in these
15 cases.

16 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you.

17 We'll pause a second to see if there's any
18 other parties interested in these two cases.

19 Hearing none, Mr. Bruce, you may proceed.

20 JAMES BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, in these cases --
21 and there are two related cases that are set for a
22 hearing on June 3rd. Matador had pooled Wolfcamp
23 formation in, collectively, the north half of
24 Sections 21 and 22 in 20 South range, 29 East, which is
25 the exact same land, just a different formation as the

1 prior four cases.

2 The exhibit packages contain the applications,
3 the original pooling orders, the land man's affidavit,
4 and, again, the request is basically due to economic
5 reasons.

6 Again, in the affidavit of notice, there's a
7 separate -- same parties, but I had to notify them a
8 second time for another -- so I do owe the division all
9 of the green cards and other receipts, which I will get
10 to them ASAP.

11 Then there is a publication notice, again,
12 rather lengthy, and everyone received either actual
13 notice or publication notice.

14 So I believe the exhibit package is correct,
15 and I move for admission of the exhibits and ask the
16 case be taken under advisement.

17 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you.

18 Is there also a special provision for EOG in
19 this order?

20 JAMES BRUCE: These orders, yes.

21 These two cases call -- cover the north half,
22 north half, and the south half, south half of sections.
23 The others cover the intervening lands.

24 But, yes, each of those four orders did
25 contain a special payment provision for EOG, which we

1 knew Matador did not object to.

2 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. And you're
3 extending the deadline to what date?

4 JAMES BRUCE: I forget the exact dates.
5 They're in April. The applications were filed, and
6 this is when I had that -- most of it was my massive
7 computer problems that I couldn't put these cases on.

8 So I think they were timely -- we would have
9 been timely if I hadn't had the computer problems, but
10 the dates are in -- mainly late April and early June --
11 I mean May, early May.

12 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you.
13 Actually, I had that in my notes. Thanks.

14 Okay. Mr. Rankin? Are you okay with these
15 cases going forward by affidavit?

16 ADAM RANKIN: Mr. Brancard, yes. No objection
17 to the cases proceeding by affidavit.

18 We appreciate Mr. Bruce's recognition of the
19 state of the special provisions.

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

22 TECHNICAL EXAMINER SIMMONS: No. Everything
23 appears in order as long as he gets us those all
24 important green cards.

25 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. Thank you.

1 And so with that, in Cases 21897, 21898, the
2 exhibits will be admitted.

3 The record will be kept open for the submittal
4 of the green cards, and the cases will be taken under
5 advisement. Thank you.

6 JAMES BRUCE: Thank you.

7 (Hearing concluded)

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1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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4 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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21 /s/ Carrie Hewerdine

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