

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS, AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTTTER OF THE HEARING CALLED
BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

	Case Nos.	21955
		21956
Application of Newbourne Oil Company		21957
for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County,		21958
New Mexico.		

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 2021

This matter came on for hearing before
the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division,
William Brancard Hearing Examiner, Leonard
Lowe, Technical Examiner on June 3, 2021 via
the Webex Videoconferencing Platform

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1 (Time noted 9:33 a.m.)

2 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: With that we are on
3 Item 33 on the docket, and these would be Cases 21955,
4 21956, 21957, 21958. Mewbourne Oil Company, Foxhole
5 Wells. Mr. Bruce.

6 MR. BRUCE: Yes. I'm here on behalf of
7 Mewbourne.

8 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Are there any other
9 interested parties in Cases 21955 through 21958? (Note:
10 Pause.) Hearing none, you may proceed, Mr. Bruce.

11 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, I'll take a step back.

12 By Cases 21058 through 21061, which were
13 heard in February of 2020, Mewbourne force pooled these
14 same tracts for four wells that collectively cover the
15 north half of Section 25 and the northeast corner of
16 Section 26 as to the Wolfcamp Formation, Upper Wolfcamp
17 Pool.

18 They -- the Orders were set to expire on
19 April 14th, but before that date Mewbourne did obtain a
20 year-long drilling extension from the Division on each of
21 the four Orders, and the original Order numbers are set
22 forth in the affidavit of the landman, but they -- the
23 original Orders are 21186, 21187, 21214, and 21217.

24 But they recently discovered a party,
25 Tandem Oil Company, which they had omitted from the

1 original force pooling, and so this application was filed
2 simply to pull Tandem Oil into these four wells which have
3 not yet been drilled.

4 I don't think I need a full new Pooling
5 Order. I guess I get kind of confused. I have done it as
6 a re-opening of various cases, but then the Division
7 always, of course, under their system always assigns a new
8 case number to it anyway, so -- uh, although all we are
9 really trying to do is add Tandem Oil Company to the
10 parties pooled under the four Orders as extended that I
11 have just mentioned.

12 So that is set forth in the landman's
13 affidavit which is marked Exhibit 2.

14 Exhibit 3 is the geologist's affidavit, and
15 that's simply the geology that was presented in February,
16 2020. Believe it or not the geology hasn't changed.

17 And Exhibit 4 is my affidavit of Notice to
18 Tandem Oil Company that showed that it did receive
19 Certified Mail.

20 And with that, again I just ask that Tandem
21 Oil be included in the prior Pooling Orders if, that is
22 the appropriate thing to do, and I move the admission of
23 Exhibits 1 through 4 and ask that the four matters be
24 taken under advisement.

25 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. So

1 essentially you are asking for an amendment to four
2 Orders; is that correct.

3 MR. BRUCE: Yeah, that is correct. And they
4 would be B Orders, since there are already A Orders
5 existing for the extensions.

6 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: The only change
7 would be to add an interest owner that was not included
8 originally.

9 MR. BRUCE: That is correct.

10 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: There's no change to
11 the spacing unit or the well locations.

12 MR. BRUCE: No, nothing.

13 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay.

14 Mr. Lowe, any questions?

15 EXAMINER LOWE: I have no questions. Thank you.

16 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. Are there
17 any other parties interested in Cases 21955, 21956, 21957,
18 or 21958? (Note: Pause.) Hearing none, the exhibits
19 will be admitted in these cases and we will take these
20 cases under advisement, and may be more likely to treat
21 these as an amendment than I do as a Compulsory Pooling
22 Application.

23 MR. BRUCE: That's fine with me.

24 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you.

25 (Time noted 9:38 a.m.)

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3 COUNTY OF TAOS)

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5 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

6 I, MARY THERESE MACFARLANE, New Mexico Reporter
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