

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 Chisholm Energy  
Operating for Compulsory Pooling,  
Lea County, New Mexico Case Nos. 21849, 21850

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

STATUS CONFERENCE

AUGUST 5, 2021

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, William Brancard, Esq. Hearing Examiner, Baylen Lamkin, Technical Examiner, on August 5, 2021, via Webex Virtual Conferencing Platform hosted by the New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources.

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1 (Time noted 8:21 a.m.)

2 EXAMINER BRANCARD: We will move on to the next  
3 two cases. And I believe this is a status conference.  
4 21849 and 21850, Chisholm Energy.

5 MS. LUCK: Good morning. Kaitlyn Luck from the  
6 Santa Fe office of Holland & Hart for the Applicant in  
7 these two cases, Chisholm Energy.

8 EXAMINER BRANCARD: And we are doing a status  
9 conference; is that correct?

10 MS. LUCK: That's correct.

11 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. I have Mewbourne Oil.

12 MR. BRUCE: Jim Bruce, Mr. Examiner, on behalf  
13 of Mewbourne.

14 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay.

15 I have EOG Resources.

16 MR. RITTENHOUSE: Yes, sir. This is Joby  
17 Rittenhouse from Beatty Wozniak on behalf OF EOG.

18 EXAMINER BRANCARD: And OXY USA.

19 MS. LUCK: I think that our office had also  
20 entered for OXY, so I will say that Holland & Hart is also  
21 here on behalf of OXY in these cases.

22 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. That's what I have is  
23 Holland & Hart.

24 Okay. Any other parties in Cases 21849  
25 21850? (Note: Pause.) Hearing none, Ms. Luck where are

1 we going?

2 MS. LUCK: Thanks for taking these up on a  
3 status conference today. We had previously been set for a  
4 contested hearing but there was some confusion. And  
5 discussions are ongoing in terms of whether there would be  
6 competing pooling applications from Mewbourne, and it  
7 looks like Mewbourne will be filing some competing  
8 applications, so we are in the same boat as the set of  
9 cases that went just before us. We are looking for a new  
10 contested hearing date. We are looking at the end of  
11 September, but if that's not going to work we will take  
12 the first available from the Division.

13 EXAMINER BRANCARD: All right. Mr. Bruce, is  
14 Mewbourne going to file some competing applications?

15 MR. BRUCE: Yes, they are. I'm waiting for the  
16 client to get me the information, so I intend to file them  
17 quickly.

18 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. I hope so. Because  
19 when I looked at the transcript from the last time you  
20 also said that then.

21 MR. BRUCE: That's right.

22 EXAMINER BRANCARD: So you are agreeable to  
23 setting a date, then, for a contested hearing with  
24 whatever cases your client files; is that correct?

25 MR. BRUCE: That is correct.

1                   EXAMINER BRANCARD: All right. Mr.  
2 Rittenhouse?

3                   MR. RITTENHOUSE: Nothing to add from EOG.

4                   EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. And I assume OXY is  
5 along for the ride. Is that correct, Ms. Luck?

6                   MS. LUCK: That is correct. OXY is just  
7 entering an appearance at this point to preserve their  
8 rights, and so they are okay with whenever the contested  
9 hearing is set.

10                  EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. All right. Well, I  
11 guess we will set this for November 4th and see what  
12 happens.

13                                But I will -- so, Mr. Bruce, do you think  
14 this is going to happen in the next couple of days, or a  
15 day, filing the new cases?

16                  MR. BRUCE: I will of course do my best. I have  
17 been in contact with my client, I'll contact him again  
18 today, but Tuesday is the deadline for filing the  
19 applications. So if I can get them done earlier, I will  
20 file them.

21                  EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. Because I would like  
22 to hold off on the Prehearing Order to combine everything  
23 into one.

24                  MR. BRUCE: Okay.

25                  EXAMINER BRANCARD: You think there might be two

1 applications, or you don't know at this point?

2 EXAMINER BRANCARD: There's at least two. I  
3 think there will probably be four.

4 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. All right.

5 Any other comments or questions on these  
6 two cases 21849, 21850? If not, we will set this for a  
7 hearing on November 4th, and I will issue a Prehearing  
8 Order, holding off hopefully to capture the Mewbourne  
9 cases that are filed.

10 When you do file them, just, Mr. Bruce, if  
11 you could send Marlene or I an email indicating that you  
12 have done so and that they're connected to these cases,  
13 that would be helpful.

14 MR. BRUCE: Will do. Thank you.

15 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you, everyone.

16 (Time noted 8:25 a.m.)

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