

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.

Application of Matador Production Company for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico	21994, 21995 22000, 22001 22002, 22003 22004, 22005
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REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

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William Brancard, Esq. Hearing Examiner, on
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1 EXAMINER BRANCARD: All right. We are halfway
2 through the agenda already.

3 Calling items 23 and -- 22 and 23, 24 through, I
4 think, 29. These were cases 21994 through 21995, and then
5 22000, 22001, 22002, 003, 004 and 005. Matador Production.

6 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, Jim Bruce here for
7 Matador.

8 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you.
9 EOG Resources.

10 MR. RITTENHOUSE: This is Joby Rittenhouse from
11 Beatty & Wozniak on behalf of EOG. And if I may,
12 Mr. Examiner, similar to the COG cases, these are eight
13 matters that are related to eight other Matador cases.
14 Matador agreed to continued these matters to January 20th,
15 2022, and then between Matador and EOG we agreed that
16 Matador would file eight continuances on one set of matters
17 and EOG would file eight continuances on these matters.

18 Mr. Bruce did his part, filed his continuances timely;
19 however, I failed to get mine in until Tuesday afternoon,
20 therefore, I would similarly request that you wrap those
21 continuances to January 20th in these eight cases.

22 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. We'll get out the
23 wet noodle for you, Mr. Rittenhouse.

24 Are there any other interested persons for these cases
25 21994, 995 and 22000 through 22005?

1 Hearing none, Mr. Bruce, you're okay with this
2 continuance?

3 MR. BRUCE: Yes, sir.

4 EXAMINER BRANCARD: All right. So I seem to
5 recall in one of the pleadings or in the discussions,
6 Mr. Rittenhouse, that EOG was contemplating or had filed
7 competing cases?

8 MR. RITTENHOUSE: I don't -- I don't believe that
9 is the case here. We have filed pre-hearing statements in
10 certain of these cases currently.

11 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. I thought one of your
12 pre-hearing statements had mentioned the possibility of
13 competing cases, so I wanted to sort of clarify that. So
14 there are no competing cases from EOG at this point?

15 MR. RITTENHOUSE: At this point, there are not.

16 EXAMINER BRANCARD: All right. All right, then.
17 Any other interested parties in these cases? I think I have
18 already asked that question. If not, the cases 21994 and
19 21995, along with 21000, 001, 002, 003, 004 and 005 will be
20 continued to January 20th, and are we continuing this for a
21 hearing or a status conference?

22 MR. BRUCE: It -- it. They are trying to settle
23 out certain ones, so I wouldn't want to say it is solely a
24 status conference, but I wouldn't put it for a contested
25 hearing at this point. So maybe -- maybe we have to do a

1 status conference.

2 EXAMINER BRANCARD: And, you know, you can always
3 file something in between, if you think the status changes.

4 MR. BRUCE: Okay. Okay. If we can do that,
5 please.

6 EXAMINER BRANCARD: All right. Thank you. That's
7 okay with you, Mr. Rittenhouse, that we do a status
8 conference?

9 MR. RITTENHOUSE: Yes, sir, I agree with
10 everything Mr. Bruce said.

11 EXAMINER BRANCARD: All right. So those seven
12 cases, then, are continued to -- or eight cases are
13 continued to January 20th, 2022 for a status conference.

14 Thank you.

15 MR. RITTENHOUSE: Thank you.

16 (Concluded 8:31 a.m.)

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