

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

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

CASE NOS. 21935-21936

APPLICATION OF SPUR ENERGY
PARTNERS, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS
EXAMINER HEARING
DECEMBER 16 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 KATHLEEN MURPHY on
Thursday, December 16, 2021, through the Webex Platform.

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1 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: With that, I will
2 call the next two cases, 21935, 21936, Spur Energy Partners.

3 MS. HARDY: Good morning, Mr. Examiner. Dana
4 Hardy with the Santa Fe office of Hinkle Shanor on behalf of
5 Spur Energy Partners.

6 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: An entry from
7 Contango.

8 MR. MORGAN: Scott Morgan from Cavin & Ingram on
9 behalf of Contango Oil & Gas.

10 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. And
11 Apache Corporation?

12 MS. BENNETT: Good morning, Mr. Examiner, Deana
13 Bennett on behalf of Apache Corporation.

14 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Are there any other
15 interested persons on Cases 21935, 21936?

16 (No audible response.)

17 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Ms. Hardy, where are
18 we?

19 MS. HARDY: Mr. Examiner, the parties are
20 discussing these matters and trying to reach a resolution.
21 We are -- at least that's my understanding -- we are not in
22 a competing application scenario, it's just I think the
23 parties are trying to work out issues that relate to
24 collision risk and things like that. So it seems like to me
25 though those issues will be resolved if they haven't been

1 yet.

2 So at this point I think we need to set a
3 contested hearing date. I don't know if the March 3 date
4 would be available since it seems reasonably likely these
5 issues would be resolved, and if they are not resolved, then
6 the hearing would be fairly short, but if that doesn't work,
7 I think March 17 should be acceptable. I have to verify
8 that date with my client, though.

9 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: So essentially we
10 could be looking at another status conference?

11 MS. HARDY: Potentially, or presentation by
12 affidavit if the issues are resolved.

13 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Mr. Morgan?

14 MR. MORGAN: I think Ms. Hardy is correct, we are
15 working on getting these issues resolved. There is a little
16 more technical information that my clients want to review,
17 and at that point we will either be ready to resolve the
18 issues or move forward with the hearing.

19 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Ms. Bennett?

20 MS. BENNETT: Same for Apache, same position, and
21 Apache would also be okay with March 3 or March 17 as the
22 hearing date.

23 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: All right. Since it
24 seems low probability this will turn into a contested
25 hearing by March, why don't we set this for March 3. Ms.

1 Hardy, would you like to issue a prehearing order in this
2 case?

3 MS. HARDY: Yes, that would be great, Mr.
4 Examiner.

5 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Once again, are there
6 any other interested persons in Cases 21935, 21936?

7 (No audible response.)

8 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Hearing none, those
9 cases will be set for hearing on March 3.

10 MS. HARDY: Thank you.

11 (Concluded.)

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6 I, PAUL BACA, New Mexico Certified Court
7 Reporter, do hereby certify that I reported the foregoing
8 virtual proceedings in stenographic shorthand and that the
9 foregoing pages are a true and correct transcript of those
10 proceedings to the best of my ability.

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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 reasonable quality.

17 Dated this 16th day of December 2021.

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/s/ Paul Baca

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