

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:

APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NOS. 22427-22428

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS
EXAMINER HEARING
FEBRUARY 17, 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, February 17, 2021, through the Webex Platform.

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1 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Let's jump back into
2 the agenda. I believe we are at Item 23. We are still on
3 status conferences. This is Cases 22427, 22428, Mewbourne
4 Oil Company.

5 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, Jim Bruce for
6 Mewbourne.

7 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: I have Cimarex Energy
8 Company.

9 MR. SAVAGE: Good morning. Darin Savage with
10 Abadie & Schill on behalf of Cimarex Energy Company, and I
11 think I'm having some technical difficulty with my
12 microphone on my end, so I will try to speak loud so it
13 comes through.

14 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: It's coming through
15 good now.

16 MR. SAVAGE: Thank you.

17 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: COG Operating?

18 MS. MUNDS-DRY: Good morning, Mr. Hearing
19 Examiner. Ocean Munds-Dry with COG Operating LLC and Concho
20 Oil and Gas.

21 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. Colgate
22 Operating?

23 MR. DEBRINE: Good morning, Mr. Examiner. Earl
24 Debrine with Modrall Sperling in Albuquerque on behalf of
25 Colgate.

1 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. EOG
2 Resources?

3 MR. RITTENHOUSE: Yes, Mr. Examiner, this is Joby
4 Rittenhouse appearing on behalf of EOG Resources.

5 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: MRC Delaware
6 Services?

7 MR. RANKIN: Good morning, Mr. Examiner. May it
8 please the Division, Adam Rankin with the Santa Fe office of
9 Holland & Hart on behalf of MRC Delaware Resources in these
10 two cases.

11 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. And I
12 believe that's it. Are there any other interested persons
13 in Cases 22427 and 428?

14 (No audible response.)

15 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Hearing none,
16 Mr. Bruce, I believe we are here because there is an
17 objection to the case going forward by affidavit from
18 Colgate. Is that correct?

19 MR. BRUCE: That's correct, Mr. Examiner. And
20 Mr. Debrine can confirm. I believe he has filed or is
21 filing counter applications. Is that correct, Earl?

22 MR. DEBRINE: Yes, Colgate is planning on filing
23 competing applications that will be on the April docket, and
24 so we would request that a prehearing order be entered and
25 those cases be heard together with Mewbourne's cases at an

1 appropriate time that works for the Division and the
2 parties.

3 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: All right. We are
4 out into May, although June and July look really good. So
5 May 5, will that work?

6 MR. BRUCE: That's fine with me, Mr. Examiner.

7 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Mr. Debrine?

8 MR. DEBRINE: That works for Colgate.

9 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: I will check with
10 everybody else here. Mr. Savage?

11 MR. SAVAGE: That should work, thank you.

12 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Ms. Munds-Dry.

13 MS. MUNDS-DRY: May is lovely.

14 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you.

15 Mr. Rittenhouse?

16 MR. RITTENHOUSE: That works for EOG, thank you.

17 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: And Mr. Rankin?

18 MR. RANKIN: Not a problem. May 5 works.

19 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: All right. So then
20 we will schedule a contested hearing for May 5. I will
21 issue a prehearing order. Again, as always, Mr. Debrine, if
22 you could let us know when you file cases that they are to
23 be combined with these two Mewbourne cases.

24 MR. DEBRINE: We will send an e-mail to the
25 Division and parties as soon as they are filed and case

1 numbers are known.

2 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you, I
3 appreciate that. All right. Any other comments on cases
4 22427, 22428?

5 (No audible response.)

6 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Hearing none, they
7 are scheduled for contested hearing on May 5.

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4 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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6 I, IRENE DELGADO, New Mexico Certified Court
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9 that the foregoing pages are a true and correct transcript
10 of those 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 poor to good quality.

17 Dated this 17th day of February 2022.

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/s/ Irene Delgado

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