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ENERGY, MINERALS, AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PRE- AND POST-HEARINGS  
PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2022

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, William Brancard, Esq. Hearing Examiners, John Garcia, Technical Examiner, on Thursday, April 7, 2022, via Webex Virtual Conferencing Platform hosted by the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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

2 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Let's get started, then.  
3 This is the hearing of the New Mexico Oil Conservation  
4 Division. This is April 7, 2022. My name is Bill  
5 Brancard. I am the hearing examiner. Today with me is  
6 our technical examiner Mr. John Garcia. Mr. Garcia,  
7 welcome. Our court reporter is Mary Macfarlane so, as  
8 always, please speak clearly and slowly so that she can  
9 get all of your really important words down on paper.

10 The final docket worksheet is on the  
11 website so we will be following that order of cases today,  
12 despite attempts late last night to change the order.

13 So that's what we are working with,  
14 whatever was posted on the website as the final docket  
15 worksheet. I have 68 cases listed to today, and we will  
16 go through them in order, starting with status  
17 conferences.

18 Mr. Garcia, anything we need to hear about  
19 today?

20 EXAMINER GARCIA: I don't have anything special.  
21 Can you hear me?

22 EXAMINER BRANCARD: I can hear you. You're a  
23 little soft but I can hear you.

24 EXAMINER GARCIA: I will set my audio setting.

25 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Put on your big boy voice.

1 All right. Nothing new to report here. We  
2 are still virtual, could be for a while. I went past the  
3 door of Porter Hall the other day, and it's now locked.  
4 There's now, you know, tape with skull and crossbones  
5 across it that says: ASBESTOS.

6 So, Mr. Padilla, I don't know how many  
7 decades you were inhaling that, but you're still alive, so  
8 it couldn't be too bad.

9 All right. Let's get going here with  
10 status conferences.

11 (Note: Docket items reported under separate  
12 cover.)

13 (Note: 4:06 p.m.)

14 MR. SAMANIEGO: Hearing Commissioner, my case,  
15 my last case was not heard.

16 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Which case was that, Mr.  
17 Samaniego?

18 MR. SAMANIEGO: 22673.

19 EXAMINER BRANCARD: No, I believe that was  
20 continued. I believe it wasn't on the agenda so it must  
21 have been continued.

22 MR. SAMANIEGO: When is the date for the  
23 continuance on that?

24 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Let me look it up. And you  
25 can look it up, too, Mr. Samaniego.

1 MR. SALAZAR: Oh, I will. I just want it on  
2 record.

3 EXAMINER BRANCARD: We have a wonderful online  
4 system.

5 MR. SAMANIEGO: I know, and I use it often.

6 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Good. Good.

7 MR. SAMANIEGO: But can I get it on record?  
8 When is the continuance of Case 22673?

9 EXAMINER BRANCARD: I believe March 5th. I'm  
10 sorry, May 5th.

11 MR. SAMANIEGO: Okay. And also on Case 22615,  
12 what was the -- we were so quick to go to a break, I  
13 didn't catch what the final on that case was. Is that  
14 continued, is it dismissed? What is the outcome of that  
15 22615?

16 EXAMINER BRANCARD: As of now the case is  
17 continued. I believe the applicant is going to provide a  
18 further motion to try to have the case not be continued,  
19 so we will see what they submit. But as of now the case  
20 is continued.

21 MR. SAMANIEGO: So they are filing documents to  
22 not continue it, and that's what we are waiting on?

23 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Right.

24 MR. SAMANIEGO: Okay.

25 EXAMINER BRANCARD: They will file that soon.

1 MR. SAMANIEGO: All right.

2 EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you everyone.

3 Appreciate it.

4 MR. SAMANIEGO: Thank you everyone.

5 (Time noted 4:08 p.m.)

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