

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: 21734-21737

APPLICATIONS OF COG OPERATING LLC
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS
EXAMINER HEARING
JULY 7, 2022
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 DEAN McCLURE on
Thursday, July 7, 2022, through the Webex Platform.

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A P P E A R A N C E S

For the Applicant:

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1 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. With that we
2 are now on Items 39 through 42. These are Cases 21734,
3 21735, 21736, 21737, COG Operating.

4 MR. RITTENHOUSE: Mr. Examiner, Joby Rittenhouse
5 appearing on behalf of COG. I have to apologize here, we
6 are not prepared to go to hearing on these cases due to
7 oversight.

8 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Mr. Rittenhouse, we
9 just lost your audio.

10 MR. RITTENHOUSE: Can you hear me now?

11 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: We lost you at we are
12 not prepared.

13 MR. RITTENHOUSE: We are not prepared to go
14 forward with these cases. Due to oversight we failed to
15 file some continuances. I know there is a couple of parties
16 here listed. I believe it's my understanding that those
17 parties are no longer part of this case. I will let counsel
18 for those parties correct me if I'm wrong. Nonetheless, we
19 would request, respectfully, that you allow us to file
20 continuances with these four cases. With that, I throw
21 myself at the mercy of the examiner.

22 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: I like that. All
23 right let's try Titus Oil & Gas?

24 (No audible response.)

25 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Montgomery and

1 Andrews? Foran Oil and Gas?

2 MS. SHAHEEN: Excuse me, sorry, Mr. Examiner, I
3 was muted. Can you hear me?

4 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Yes.

5 MS. SHAHEEN: Sharon Shaheen of Montgomery 7
6 Andrews on behalf of Titus Oil and Gas. I believe we
7 withdrew our entry of appearance on about March 9. That
8 should be of record, but if not, I'm letting the -- the
9 hearing examiner know that we are withdrawing our appearance
10 into these cases.

11 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. Foran
12 Oil?

13 (No audible response.)

14 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. Yes, my
15 understanding, Mr. Rittenhouse, this was a contested matter,
16 and then the other parties dropped competing cases and
17 objections, and so this was up to COG to proceed taking this
18 case to hearing by affidavit, but as you say, you're not
19 ready. So what will be our next date for an affidavit case,
20 Marlene?

21 MS. SALVIDREZ: (No audible response.)

22 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Marlene, are you
23 there?

24 MS. SALVIDREZ: Oh, I'm sorry, I didn't know you
25 were asking me a question.

1 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Yes.

2 MS. SALVIDREZ: They can do it for July 21.

3 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: All right. See if we
4 can help COG given its record in this, but -- so this case
5 will be continued then, these cases 21734, 21735, 21736,
6 21737 will be continued to July 21.

7 MR. RITTENHOUSE: Thank you, Marlene. Thank you
8 Mr. Examiner.

9 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. Please file
10 that continuance. Okay.

11 (Continued.)

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4 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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6 I do hereby certify that I reported the
7 foregoing virtual proceedings in stenographic shorthand and
8 that the foregoing pages are a true and correct transcript
9 of those proceedings to the best of my ability.

10 I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am neither employed by
11 nor related to any of the parties or attorneys in this case
12 and that I have no interest in the final disposition of this
13 case.

14 I FURTHER CERTIFY that the Virtual Proceeding was
15 of poor to good quality.

16 Dated this 7th day of July 2022.

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/s/ Irene Delgado

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