STATE OF NEW MEXICO

ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

CASE NO. 13,486

AWAITING FINAL COMMISSION ACTION NO EVIDENCE OR TESTIMONY TAKEN

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

COMMISSION HEARING

BEFORE: MARK E. FESMIRE, CHAIRMAN

> JAMI BAILEY, COMMISSIONER WILLIAM C. OLSON, COMMISSIONER

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March 23rd, 2006

Santa Fe, New Mexico

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This matter came on for hearing before the Oil Conservation Commission, MARK E. FESMIRE, Chairman, on Thursday, March 23rd, 2006, at the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, 1220 South Saint Francis Drive, Room 102, Santa Fe, New Mexico, Steven T. Brenner, Certified Court Reporter No. 7 for the State of New Mexico.

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WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had at 1 9:00 a.m.: 2 CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: Okay, let's go on the record. 3 It's -- What date is it? It's Thursday, March 23rd, 2006. 4 This is the meeting of the New Mexico Oil Conservation 5 Commission of New Mexico. Let the record reflect that it's 6 9:00 a.m., that all three Commissioners, including myself 7 Mark Fesmire, Commissioner Bailey, and Commissioner Olson, 8 9 are present. The first order of business is probably to adopt 10 the minutes of not only the February 9th, 2006, meeting of 11 the Commission, but also the -- individually, the minutes 12 of the March 13, 2006, special meeting, and the March 20th, 13 14 2006, special meeting. We'll take the minutes individually. 15 Have the Commissioners had a chance to review the 16 minutes of the February 9th, 2006, meeting? 17 18 COMMISSIONER BAILEY: Yes, I have, and I move we 19 adopt them. 20 CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: Is there a second? COMMISSIONER OLSON: 21 Second. 22 CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: All those in favor? 23 COMMISSIONER BAILEY: Aye. 24 COMMISSIONER OLSON: Aye. 25 CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: Let the record reflect that

the motion passed unanimously, and the minutes of the 1 February 9th, 2006, meeting of the Oil Conservation 2 Commission will be adopted -- if Commissioner Bailey will 3 4 loan me her pen. The minutes of the February 9th meeting have been 5 adopted and signed by the Chairman and conveyed to the 6 7 Commission Secretary. 8 9 CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: Have the Commissioners had an 10 opportunity to review the minutes of the March 13th, 2006, 11 12 special meeting of the Oil Conservation Commission? COMMISSIONER BAILEY: Yes, I have, and I move we 13 14 adopt them. 15 CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: Is there a second? COMMISSIONER OLSON: Second. 16 CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: All those in favor? 17 COMMISSIONER BAILEY: 18 19 COMMISSIONER OLSON: Aye. 20 CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: Let the record reflect that the Commission has adopted the minutes of the March 13th, 21 22 2006, special meeting. The minutes have been signed by the 23 Chairman and conveyed to the Secretary. 24 25

The next order of business is CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: 1 the minutes of the special meeting held on March 20th, 2 Have the Commissioners had a chance to review those 2006. 3 minutes? 4 COMMISSIONER BAILEY: Yes, I have, and I move we 5 adopt them. 6 CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: Is there a second? 7 COMMISSIONER OLSON: Second. 8 CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: All those in favor? 9 10 COMMISSIONER BAILEY: Aye. 11 COMMISSIONER OLSON: Aye. CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: Let the record reflect that 12 the minutes have been unanimously adopted, have been signed 13 by the Chairman, and conveyed to the Secretary. 14 15 16 CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: The next order of business on 17 the docket is final action in Cause Number 13,486, the de 18 novo application of Synergy Operating, LLC, for compulsory 19 20 pooling in San Juan County, New Mexico. 21 Counsel Brooks, would you bring the Commission up to speed on the action that we've taken in this cause? 22 23 MR. BROOKS: Okay, the Commission heard this case 24 at the February 9th regular meeting, and at the conclusion

of the meeting the Commission deliberated in executive

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session. 1 Following the executive session, the Commission 2 returned to public session and adopted a resolution 3 directing me as counsel for the Commission to prepare an 4 order granting Synergy's Application for compulsory 5 I have done so and distributed the draft order to 6 the Commissioners on March the 10th. 7 CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: Okay. Have the Commission 8 members had a chance to review that order? 9 COMMISSIONER BAILEY: Yes, I have, and I move 10 that we sign the order. 11 CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: Commissioner Olson, have you 12 had a chance to review the order? 13 14 COMMISSIONER OLSON: Yeah, I've reviewed it and gave a -- just one minor edit, so I think that was all 15 taken care of. And so I'll second to that. 16 17 CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: Okay. Mr. Brooks, was that edit --18 19 MR. BROOKS: It was incorporated. 20 CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: Okay. I too have reviewed the 21 order and I find that it does adequately represent the decision of the Commission. All those in favor of signing 22 this order and adopting this order? 23 24 COMMISSIONER BAILEY: Aye. 25 COMMISSIONER OLSON:

CHAIRMAN FESMIRE: All those opposed? Let the record reflect that the order has been adopted, and each one of the Commissioners will sign it.

Let the record reflect that the order has been

adopted and signed by all three members of the Commission and conveyed to the Secretary.

(Thereupon, these proceedings were concluded at 9:05 a.m.)

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CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ss. COUNTY OF SANTA FE

I, Steven T. Brenner, Certified Court Reporter and Notary Public, HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing transcript of proceedings before the Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me; that I transcribed my notes; and that the foregoing is a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am not a relative or employee of any of the parties or attorneys involved in this matter and that I have no personal interest in the final disposition of this matter.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL March 23rd, 2006.

STEVEN T. BRENNER

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My commission expires: October 16th, 2006