

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:

COPY

APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY CASE NO. 15553  
FOR A NONSTANDARD OIL SPACING AND  
PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

October 27, 2016

Santa Fe, New Mexico

BEFORE: WILLIAM V. JONES, CHIEF EXAMINER  
DAVID K. BROOKS, LEGAL EXAMINER

This matter came on for hearing before the  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, William V. Jones,  
Chief Examiner, and David K. Brooks, Legal Examiner, on  
Thursday, October 27, 2016, at the New Mexico Energy,  
Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Wendell Chino  
Building, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Porter Hall,  
Room 102, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

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1 (8:22 a.m.)

2 EXAMINER JONES: And there is -- one case  
3 has already been heard.

4 Mr. Bruce, would you like to do that case  
5 first?

6 MR. BRUCE: Sure.

7 EXAMINER JONES: I believe that is Case  
8 15553, which is case number 38 on the docket -- it's on  
9 page number eight -- application of Mewbourne Oil  
10 Company for a nonstandard spacing and proration unit and  
11 compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.

12 Call for appearances.

13 MR. BRUCE: Jim Bruce of Santa Fe  
14 representing the Applicant.

15 EXAMINER JONES: Any other appearances?

16 MR. HALL: Scott Hall, Montgomery &  
17 Andrews, Santa Fe, appearing on behalf of Black Mountain  
18 Operating.

19 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, this case was  
20 heard and continued for notice purposes.

21 Submitted as Exhibit 14 is an Affidavit of  
22 Notice to EOG Resources, which is an offset -- is an  
23 offset. Simply, the green card never showed up when I  
24 mailed it.

25 Exhibit 15 is an Affidavit of Publication

1 against Black & Gold Resources, LLC. There is a  
2 separate publication of notice for other parties who did  
3 not receive actual notice, and that was submitted  
4 previously.

5 And submitted as Exhibit 16 are just some  
6 additional returned green cards and envelopes.

7 We would move the admission of Exhibits 14,  
8 15 and 16, ask that the case be taken under advisement.

9 I would anticipate Mr. Hall's client and  
10 mine will come to agreement fairly soon, and we'll  
11 notify the Division, but there are still uncommitted  
12 parties.

13 EXAMINER JONES: Mr. Hall, do you have  
14 comments?

15 MR. HALL: No.

16 EXAMINER JONES: Any objection to the  
17 admission of exhibits?

18 MR. HALL: No, no objection.

19 EXAMINER JONES: Mewbourne's Exhibit  
20 Numbers 14, 15 and 16 are admitted in Case Number 15553,  
21 and that case is taken under advisement.

22 (Mewbourne Oil Company Exhibit Numbers 14,  
23 15 and 16 are offered and admitted into  
24 evidence.)

25 (Case Number 15553 concludes, 8:25 a.m.)

1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
2 COUNTY OF BERNALILLO

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4 CERTIFICATE OF COURT REPORTER

5 I, MARY C. HANKINS, Certified Court  
6 Reporter, New Mexico Certified Court Reporter No. 20,  
7 and Registered Professional Reporter, do hereby certify  
8 that I reported the foregoing proceedings in  
9 stenographic shorthand and that the foregoing pages are  
10 a true and correct transcript of those proceedings that  
11 were reduced to printed form by me to the best of my  
12 ability.

13 I FURTHER CERTIFY that the Reporter's  
14 Record of the proceedings truly and accurately reflects  
15 the exhibits, if any, offered by the respective parties.

16 I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am neither  
17 employed by nor related to any of the parties or  
18 attorneys in this case and that I have no interest in  
19 the final disposition of this case.

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