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 PARALLEL PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO CASE NO. 13,864 (Reopened and Amended)

)

)

)

)

ORIGINAL

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

BEFORE: DAVID R. CATANACH, Hearing Examiner

May 10th, 2007

Santa Fe, New Mexico

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, DAVID R. CATANACH, Hearing Examiner, on Thursday, May 10th, 2007, 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.

* * *

2 INDEX May 10th, 2007 Examiner Hearing CASE NO. 13,864 PAGE **REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE** 7 * * * EXHIBITS Applicant's Identified Admitted Exhibit 1 4 Exhibit 2 4 * * * APPEARANCES FOR THE DIVISION: DAVID K. BROOKS, JR. Assistant General Counsel Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 FOR THE APPLICANT: KELLAHIN & KELLAHIN 117 N. Guadalupe P.O. Box 2265 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2265 By: W. THOMAS KELLAHIN * * *

1	WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had at
2	8:49 a.m.:
3	EXAMINER CATANACH: At this time we'll call Case
4	13,864, which is the Application of Parallel Petroleum
5	Corporation for compulsory pooling, Chaves County, New
6	Mexico.
7	Call for appearances.
8	MR. KELLAHIN: Mr. Examiner, I'm Tom Kellahin of
9	the Santa Fe law firm of Kellahin and Kellahin, appearing
10	this morning on behalf of the Applicant.
11	EXAMINER CATANACH: Any additional appearances?
12	Okay, Mr. Kellahin, you may proceed.
13	MR. KELLAHIN: Mr. Examiner, I have two exhibits
14	for you, for this morning's hearing. One is an affidavit
15	from the engineer and the landman, and the other is the
16	notice of this hearing.
17	You first heard this case back on February 15th,
18	and at the time of that hearing you took this under
19	advisement after we had readvertised it.
20	Before you had entered the order, the client
21	asked to move the surface location of this what I will
22	characterize as a horizontal well. The north half of the
23	section, 33, was the spacing unit, but they were accessing
24	the spacing unit in the adjoining Section 34.
25	They've moved that location as indicated on this

	4
1	plat, and as a consequence we move to reopen the case. We
2	sent additional notice, and I now have his affidavit and
3	the new location. In addition, they've amended their AFE,
4	and they've reduced it by \$120,000.
5	If you will turn to the exhibits attached to the
6	affidavit, Mr. Examiner, I think it's the fourth page down,
7	this shows you the revised C-102, and you can see the
8	surface location in Unit Letter D is now within the spacing
9	unit, and they'll be within a standard producing window as
10	we discussed at the prior hearing with under the Rule,
11	it's a directional wellbore, but it's a subset using a
12	horizontal component to it.
13	So that is the tract involved as the north half
14	of the section, and all the parties to be pooled have been
15	renotified again.
16	And then following that is the affidavit in
17	the affidavit is the revised AFE, and it shows \$2,481,000,
18	which is \$120,000 less than the prior AFE.
19	Exhibit Number 2 is the affidavit of
20	renotification that included the motion to reopen, the
21	notice letter to appear this morning, as well as the list
22	and the return receipt cards for all the parties yet to be
23	pooled. I'm aware of no objection filed with me.
24	Since the last hearing, Spiral Energy Spiral,
25	Inc., I think, has agreed to participate. So if you turn

STEVEN T. BRENNER, CCR (505) 989-9317 4

	5
1	down to the notice list, you'll see some checkmarks.
2	EXAMINER CATANACH: Uh-huh.
3	MR. KELLAHIN: On the notice list where it says
4	"leased", those are two people that have added leases.
5	There's an X through LRNN [<i>sic</i>]. That's a mistake. That
6	party is still to be pooled. You see it on the far left,
7	you can see it's four letters, N.R.L.L.
8	EXAMINER CATANACH: Okay.
9	MR. KELLAHIN: That one is still on the list.
10	When you look down and see Spiral, they're
11	participating.
12	And with that explanation, Mr. Examiner, we move
13	the introduction of Exhibits 1 and 2 and ask that you again
14	take this case under advisement.
15	(Off the record)
16	EXAMINER CATANACH: Mr. Kellahin, we were just
17	noticing there's a one-foot difference in the footage on
18	the well. Your C-102
19	MR. KELLAHIN: under your standards, that's de
20	minimis.
21	(Laughter)
22	MR. KELLAHIN: And you're about to retire, are
23	you not?
24	(Laughter)
25	EXAMINER CATANACH: I really don't care, you

1 know, I just --MR. KELLAHIN: Nor do I, Mr. Examiner. 2 3 EXAMINER CATANACH: -- I want to make sure it's legally --4 5 MR. BROOKS: Well, we all know that de minimis non curat lex. 6 7 EXAMINER CATANACH: Well, should I use 234 or 8 235? 9 MR. KELLAHIN: I think we ought to use the number 10 on the C-102. That's probably the one that's closest to 11 being right. 12 EXAMINER CATANACH: We'll do that. Okay, is there anything further? 13 MR. KELLAHIN: I can't think of no other reason 14 15 to annoy you this morning. 16 EXAMINER CATANACH: There being nothing 17 further --MR. KELLAHIN: Am I excused? 18 19 EXAMINER CATANACH: -- Case 13,864 will be taken 20 under advisement. 21 (Thereupon, these proceedings were concluded at 22 8:55 a.m.) I do haroby certify that the foregoing is * a complete record of the proceedings in 23 the Examiner hearing) of Case No. 24 heard by me on 11 /4, 10 Lec? 25 L-Exeminer Oil Conservation Division

6

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 Division 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 May 11th, 2007.

enii

STEVEN T. BRENNER CCR No. 7

My commission expires: October 16th, 2010

STEVEN T. BRENNER, CCR (505) 989-9317 7