

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING)
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION)
DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF)
CONSIDERING:) CASE NO. 11,381
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HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL)
CONSERVATION DIVISION UPON)
ITS OWN MOTION)
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REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

ORIGINAL

BEFORE: MICHAEL E. STOGNER, Hearing Examiner

September 8th, 1995

Santa Fe, New Mexico

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, MICHAEL E. STOGNER, Hearing Examiner, on Friday, September 8th, 1995, at the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Porter Hall, 2040 South Pacheco, Santa Fe, New Mexico, Steven T. Brenner, Certified Court Reporter No. 7 for the State of New Mexico.

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DIVISION WITNESS:

DAVID R. CATANACH

Direct Examination by Mr. Carroll

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REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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Division	Identified	Admitted
Exhibit 1	4	5

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A P P E A R A N C E S

FOR THE DIVISION:

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1 WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had at
2 8:45 a.m.:

3 EXAMINER STOGNER: This hearing will come to
4 order. We'll resume from yesterday.

5 At this time I'll call Case Number 11,381, which
6 is in the matter of the hearing called by the Oil
7 Conservation Division upon its own motion for an order
8 creating and extending certain pools in Chaves and Eddy
9 Counties, New Mexico, better known as District 2.

10 At this time I'll call for appearances.

11 MR. CARROLL: Rand Carroll on behalf of the Oil
12 Conservation Division. I have one witness to be sworn.

13 EXAMINER STOGNER: Are there any other
14 appearances?

15 There being none, will the witness please stand
16 to be sworn?

17 (Thereupon, the witness was sworn.)

18 EXAMINER STOGNER: You may continue, Mr. Carroll.

19 DAVID R. CATANACH,
20 the witness herein, after having been first duly sworn upon
21 his oath, was examined and testified as follows:

22 DIRECT EXAMINATION

23 BY MR. CARROLL:

24 Q. (By Mr. Carroll) Mr. Catanach, will you please
25 state your name, your employer and your position for the

1 record, please?

2 A. David Catanach. I work for the Oil Conservation
3 Division here in Santa Fe as a petroleum engineering
4 specialist.

5 Q. And have you testified before the Division before
6 regarding nomenclature in certain pools in New Mexico and
7 had your qualifications accepted?

8 A. Yes, I have.

9 MR. CARROLL: Mr. Examiner, are Mr. Catanach's
10 qualifications acceptable?

11 EXAMINER STOGNER: Why, yes, they are.

12 Q. (By Mr. Carroll) Mr. Catanach, today are you
13 prepared to make certain recommendations regarding the
14 creation and extension of certain pools in Chaves and Eddy
15 Counties, New Mexico?

16 A. Yes, I am.

17 Q. And how are your recommendations set forth?

18 A. They're set forth in the form of an exhibit which
19 we can mark Exhibit Number 1.

20 Q. Okay. And have you had an opportunity to compare
21 what is going to be marked as OCD Exhibit Number 1 with the
22 docket that's been prepared for today's hearing to
23 determine if there's any discrepancy between the two?

24 A. Mr. Carroll, I've briefly compared the two. I
25 rely basically on conversation with Florene Davidson, our

1 staff specialist, who has informed me that she has
 2 carefully reviewed them and there are no differences
 3 between the two.

4 Q. And was Exhibit 1 prepared by the Oil
 5 Conservation Division in its ordinary course of business?

6 A. Yes, sir.

7 Q. And will the creation and extension of these
 8 pools prevent waste or protect correlative rights?

9 A. Yes, they will.

10 MR. CARROLL: That's all I have of this witness,
 11 Mr. Examiner, and I offer what is going to be marked as OCD
 12 Exhibit Number 1 for the record.

13 EXAMINER STOGNER: Exhibit Number 1 will be
 14 admitted into evidence.

15 I have no questions of Mr. Catanach. He may be
 16 excused.

17 Anything further in Case Number 11,381? There
 18 being none, this case will be taken under advisement.

19 (Thereupon, these proceedings were concluded at
 20 8:46 a.m.)

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22 I do hereby certify that the foregoing is
 23 a complete record of the proceedings in
 the Examiner hearing of Case No. 11,381,
 heard by me on 8th September 19⁵⁵.

24 Michael P. Stogner, Examiner
 25 Oil Conservation Division

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 September 16th, 1995.



STEVEN T. BRENNER
 CCR No. 7

My commission expires: October 14, 1998