

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 NO. 12,866
)
APPLICATION OF C.W. TRAINER FOR APPROVAL)
OF A SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL, LEA COUNTY,)
NEW MEXICO)
_____)

ORIGINAL

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

BEFORE: DAVID R. CATANACH, Hearing Examiner

August 1st, 2002

Santa Fe, New Mexico

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This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, DAVID R. CATANACH, Hearing Examiner, on Thursday, August 1st, 2002, 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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August 1st, 2002
 Examiner Hearing
 CASE NO. 12,866

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REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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E X H I B I T S

Applicant's	Identified	Admitted
Exhibit 1	4	4

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A P P E A R A N C E S

FOR THE DIVISION:

DAVID K. BROOKS
 Attorney at Law
 Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department
 Assistant General Counsel
 1220 South St. Francis Drive
 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

FOR THE APPLICANT:

JAMES G. BRUCE, Attorney at Law
 324 McKenzie
 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501
 P.O. Box 1056
 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

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1 WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had at
2 10:15 a.m.:

3 EXAMINER CATANACH: Call the hearing back to
4 order, and we're going to skip ahead for the moment to Case
5 12,866, which is the Application of C.W. Trainer for
6 approval of a saltwater disposal well, Lea County, New
7 Mexico.

8 Call for appearances in this case.

9 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, my name is James Bruce
10 from Santa Fe, representing the Applicant. I just have a
11 brief statement.

12 EXAMINER CATANACH: Okay, other appearances?

13 Okay, there being none, Mr. Bruce, you may
14 proceed.

15 MR. BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, this request for a
16 saltwater disposal well was originally submitted
17 administratively, and notice was given pursuant to the
18 requirements of Rule 104 -- excuse me, Form C-108.

19 There was an objection by a Mr. U.S. Alexander,
20 who's the surface owner of the tract where the well is
21 located. So as a result, the Division placed this matter
22 for hearing.

23 Additional notice of the hearing was given to the
24 surface owner and the same offset operators as was given
25 administratively. The matter was originally set for

1 hearing in June, I believe, and was continued to this date.

2 No one has shown up to object to this matter, and
3 I would request that based on the record in the Division's
4 file this matter be taken under advisement and that an
5 order be issued.

6 One final thing is, I do have an affidavit of
7 notice regarding notice of the hearing, that was given.
8 Unfortunately I forgot to copy it and staple it together.
9 If there's a break I'll run upstairs and copy it, and if I
10 could submit the affidavit as Trainer Exhibit 1, I would
11 appreciate it.

12 EXAMINER CATANACH: Okay, Exhibit 1 will be
13 admitted, and you can provide that when you have the
14 opportunity, Mr. Bruce.

15 There being nothing further in this case, Case
16 12,866 will be taken under advisement.

17 (Thereupon, these proceedings were concluded at
18 10:16 a.m.)

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21 I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a
22 correct and true copy of the proceedings
23 heard by me on August 1, 12866
24 David L. Catnach -2002
25 Oil Conservation Division

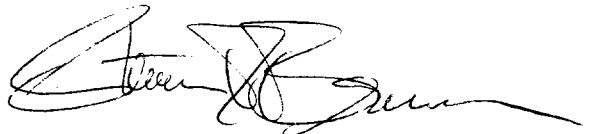
CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

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 August 2nd, 2002.



STEVEN T. BRENNER
CCR No. 7

My commission expires: October 14, 2002

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

APPLICATION OF C.W. TRAINER FOR
APPROVAL OF A SALT WATER DISPOSAL
WELL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 12866

AFFIDAVIT REGARDING NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
) ss.
COUNTY OF SANTA FE)

James Bruce, being duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and states:

1. I am over the age of 18, and have personal knowledge of the matters set forth herein.

2. I am an attorney for Applicant.

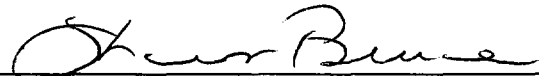
3. Applicant has conducted a good faith, diligent effort to find the names and correct addresses of the interest owners entitled to receive notice of the Application filed herein.

4. Notice of the Application was provided to the interest owners at their correct addresses by certified mail. Copies of the notice letter and certified return receipts are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

5. Applicant has complied with the notice provisions of Division Rule 1207 and Form C-104.


James Bruce

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 31st day of July, 2002, by James Bruce.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires:
3/14/05

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

CASE NUMBER

Trainer EXHIBIT 1

JAMES BRUCE
ATTORNEY AT LAW

POST OFFICE BOX 1056
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504

324 MCKENZIE STREET
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

(505) 982-2043
(505) 982-2151 (FAX)

May 24, 2002

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

U.S. Alexander
Route 1, Box 51
Lovington, New Mexico 88260

Chesapeake Operating, Inc.
P.O. Box 18496
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 75154

Fasken Oil & Ranch, Ltd.
Suite 1900
310 West Wall
Midland, Texas 79701

Gentlemen:

C.W. Trainer has filed an application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division requesting approval of a salt water disposal well (the State GA Well No. 6) located in the NW~~1~~⁴ of Section 16, Township 15 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. A copy of the Form C-108 was previously provided to you. This matter will be heard at 8:15 a.m. on Thursday, June 13, 2002 at the Division's offices at 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505. As an interested party, you have the right to appear at the hearing and participate in the case. Failure to appear at the hearing will preclude you from contesting this matter at a later date.

Very truly yours,


James Bruce

Attorney for C.W. Trainer



**U.S. Postal Service
CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT**
(Domestic Mail Only; No Insurance Coverage Provided)

OFFICIAL USE

Postage \$ 0.34
Certified Fee 2.00
Return Receipt Fee 1.50
Restricted Delivery Fee 3.84
(Endorsement Required)

Total Postage & Fees \$ 7.68

Sent To Chesapeake Operating, Inc.
P.O. Box 18496
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 75154
City, State, ZIP+4

PS Form 3800, January 2001 See Reverse for Instructions

SENDER: COMPLETE THIS SECTION

- Complete items 1, 2, and 3. Also complete item 4 if Restricted Delivery is desired.
- Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you.
- Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits.

1. Article Addressed to:

Chesapeake Operating, Inc.
P.O. Box 18496
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 75154

2. Article Number

9022 1865 9000 0752 1002

PS Form 3811, August 2001 Domestic Return Receipt

102595-01-M-0981

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1. Article Addressed to:

Fasken Oil & Ranch, Ltd.
Suite 1900
310 West Wall
Midland, Texas 79701

2. Article Number
(Transfer from service)

7001 2510 0006 5981 2713

PS Form 3811, August 2001 Domestic Return Receipt

102595-01-M-0981

COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY

A. Signature ☒ Agent ☐ Addressee
X D. Cooper

B. Received by (Printed Name) **5-29-02**

C. Date of Delivery

D. Is delivery address different from item 1? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If YES, enter delivery address below:

3. Service Type
☒ Certified Mail ☐ Express Mail
☐ Registered ☒ Return Receipt for Merchandise
☐ Insured Mail ☐ C.O.D.

4. Restricted Delivery? (Extra Fee) ☐ Yes

COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY

A. Signature ☒ Agent ☐ Addressee
X BRIAN IMES

B. Received by (Printed Name) **5-29-02**

C. Date of Delivery

D. Is delivery address different from item 1? ☐ Yes ☐ No
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1. Article addressed to:

U.S. Alexander
Route 1, Box 51
Lovington, New Mexico 88260

2. Article Number
(Transfer from service label)

7001 2510 0006 5981 2690

PS Form 3811, August 2001

COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY

A. Signature
X. Nanda Alexander ☐ Agent ☒ Addressee

B. Received by (Printed Name) *WANDA ALEXANDER* C. Date of Delivery

D. Is delivery address different from item 1? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If YES, enter delivery address below: ☐ Yes ☐ No

3. Service Type
☒ Certified Mail ☐ Express Mail
☐ Registered ☒ Return Receipt for Merchandise
☐ Insured Mail ☐ C.O.D.

4. Restricted Delivery? (Extra Fee) ☐ Yes ☐ No

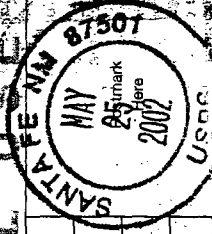
Domestic Return Receipt
102595-01M-0381

**U.S. Postal Service
CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT**
(Domestic Mail Only; No Insurance Coverage Provided)

OFFICIAL USE

Postage
Certified Fee
Return Receipt Fee
(Endorsement Required)
Restricted Delivery Fee
(Endorsement Required)

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2.00
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\$ 3.84



Total Postage & Fees

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PO Box No.
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