

IN THE MATTER OF:)
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APPLICATION OF GREENHILL PETROLEUM)
CORPORATION FOR WATERFLOOD EXPANSION,) CASE NO. 10154
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO)
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Examiner Hearing
Case No. 10154

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APPEARANCES

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A P P E A R A N C E S

BEFORE: DAVID R. CATANACH, Hearing Examiner

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1 EXAMINER CATANACH: At this time, we'll call case 10154.

2 MR. STOVALL: Application of Greenhill Petroleum
3 Corporation for waterflood expansion, Lea County, New Mexico.

4 EXAMINER CATANACH: Are there appearances in this case?

5 MR. CARR: May it please the examiner, my name is William
6 F. Carr with the law firm Campbell & Black, P.A. I represent
7 Greenhill Petroleum Corporation.

8 EXAMINER CATANACH: Are there any other appearances?
9 What have you got for us?

10 MR. CARR: May it please the examiner, this case was
11 heard on November 14th. And at that time, it was continued so
12 that additional notice could be given to a number of parties
13 to whom notice had not been properly given for the hearing
14 date.

15 Since that time, we have given notice. The time
16 has run. As you are aware, there have been comments from
17 several people to whom notice was given, Tipperary and Mrs.
18 Rice and, most importantly, the City of Lovington. Meetings
19 were held yesterday between Greenhill representatives and the
20 City of Lovington. We believe they've communicated to you
21 that their concerns had been or their questions had been
22 answered.

23 MR. STOVALL: Let me interject at this point that I spoke
24 with Mr. Jim Snipes, attorney for City of Lovington, and he
25 did advise me that, yes, the City is satisfied that

1 Greenhill's plans will protect the fresh water.

2 MR. CARR: And we have agreed to testing each of the
3 wells before injection to ensure the integrity of the wellbore
4 and have agreed that they can monitor those tests in any
5 event. At this point, we believe the case is in a posture
6 where it can be taken under advisement. And we do not intend
7 to present additional testimony.

8 MR. STOVALL: Mr. Carr, we have a letter from Tipperary
9 dated December 28th, 1990, objecting to the application. Do
10 you know anything about the status of any --

11 MR. CARR: We've continued to talk to Tipperary, and
12 that's where it stands at this time. And, Mr. Stovall, you
13 should also have in the file a letter from a Mrs. Robert Rice
14 expressing her concern about this matter. She's a resident of
15 Pennsylvania and says that the coal barons are destroying
16 Pennsylvania and she does not want the oil barons to do the
17 same here.

18 MR. STOVALL: Let the record also reflect that neither
19 Tipperary nor Mrs. Rice have appeared and presented any
20 evidence in opposition to the application of Greenhill. This
21 letter can be taken as that, as simply an objection.

22 MR. CARR: Yes.

23 EXAMINER CATANACH: Mr. Carr, I don't have a copy of the
24 letter from Mrs. Rice.

25 MR. CARR: I can give you the copy.

1 EXAMINER CATANACH: I'd like to see that, yes.

2 MR. CARR: Mr. Catanach, it was mailed to Mr. Black
3 Campbell Carr and to Eddie Seay. And that's the letter. You
4 may have that.

5 EXAMINER CATANACH: Is there anything else?

6 MR. CARR: I have nothing further in this case.

7 EXAMINER CATANACH: There being nothing further, case
8 10154 will be taken under advisement.

9 MR. CARR: Thank you.

10 (The foregoing hearing was adjourned at the approximate
11 hour of 2:05 p.m.)

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16 I do hereby certify that the foregoing is
17 a complete record of the proceedings in
18 the Examiner hearing of Case No. 10154
heard by me on May 10 1977.

19 David H. Catanach, Examiner
20 Oil Conservation Division
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1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
2) ss.
3 COUNTY OF SANTA FE)


4 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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6 I, DEBORAH F. LAVINE, RPR, a Certified Court
7 Reporter and Notary Public, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I
8 stenographically reported these proceedings before the Oil
9 Conservation Division; and that the foregoing is a true,
10 complete and accurate transcript of the proceedings of said
11 hearing as appears from my stenographic notes so taken and
12 transcribed under my personal supervision.

13 I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am not related to nor
14 employed by any of the parties hereto and have no interest in
15 the outcome hereof.

16 DATED at Santa Fe, New Mexico, this 11th of
17 February, 1991.

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22 My Commission Expires:
23 August 6th, 1993


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