

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

2 December 1987

EXAMNER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

In the matter of the hearing called CASE
by the Oil Conservation Division on 9273
its own motion for an order creating,
contracting, and extending certain
pools in Lea, Chaves, and Roosevelt
Counties, New Mexico.

BEFORE: Michael E. Stogner, Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

A P P E A R A N C E S

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DAVID R. CATANACH

Direct Examination by Mr. Taylor

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E X H I B I T S

Division Exhibit I

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2 MR. STOGNER: Call next Case
3 9273, which is in the matter of the hearing called by the
4 Oil Conservation Division of the Energy, Minerals, and
5 Natural Resources Department, upon its own motion for an
6 order creating, contracting, and extending certain pools in
7 Lea, Chaves, and Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico.

8 Call for appearances.

9 MR. TAYLOR: May it please the
10 Examiner, I am Jeff Taylor, Counsel for the Division.

11 I have one witness to be sworn.

12 MR. STOGNER: Are there any
13 other appearances?

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15 (Witness sworn.)
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17 DAVID R. CATANACH,
18 being called as a witness and being duly sworn upon his
19 oath, testified as follows, to-wit:
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21 DIRECT EXAMINATION

22 BY MR. TAYLOR:

23 Q Would you please state your name, by
24 whom you're employed, and in what capacity?

25 A David R. Catanach. I'm employed as a

1 petroleum engineer in Santa Fe, New Mexico, with the Oil
2 Conservation Division.

3 Q Mr. Catanach, have you previously
4 testified before the Commission or its Examiners and had
5 your credentials as an expert accepted?

6 A Absolutely.

7 MR. TAYLOR: Mr. Examiner, I
8 tender the witness as an expert.

9 MR. STOGNER: Mr. Catanach is
10 so qualified.

11 Q Mr. Catanach, are you prepared to make
12 recommendations to the Examiner today concerning the
13 nomenclature of certain pools in Lea, Chaves, and Roosevelt
14 Counties, New Mexico?

15 A Yes, sir.

16 Q Are your reecommendations prepared in the
17 form of an exhibit?

18 A Yes, sir.

19 Q And how is that exhibit denominated?

20 A It's deonminated as Exhibit Roman Numeral
21 I.

22 Q Okay. Would you please refer to this
23 Exhibit I and to the docket that's prepared and distributed
24 at the hearing today in Case Number 9273, and point out any
25 differences between the two?

1 A Yes, sir, there are some differences I'd
2 like to point out.

3 Paragraph (e), the advertisement for to-
4 day's hearing says the W 2 SE 4 of Section 25, and that
5 should be the W2 and the SE 4.

6 Q So there should be a comma between the W2
7 and the SE4.

8 A That's right.

9 Q A comma after the "2" in "W2".

10 A That's right. And also, paragraph (p),
11 Section 25, the advertisement says W2 SE4 and that also
12 should be W2 and SE4. There should be another comma in
13 there.

14 It should be W2, SE4.

15 Q Is that all the corrections you have?

16 A That's all the corrections I have, Mr.
17 Taylor.

18 Q Do you have anything further to add to
19 your testimony?

20 A No. No, I don't.

21 Q And have you reviewed Exhibit One and
22 satisfied yourself as to its accuracy?

23 A Yes, sir.

24 MR. TAYLOR: I move the admis-
25 sion of Exhibit One in this case, Mr. Examiner.

1 MR. STOGNER: Exhibit One will
2 be admitted into evidence.

3 MR. TAYLOR: That's all we
4 have.

5 MR. STOGNER: Thank you. Does
6 anybody else have anything further in this case?

7 It will be taken under advise-
8 ment.

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10 (Hearing concluded.)

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I, SALLY W. BOYD, C.S.R., DO HEREBY
CERTIFY that the foregoing Transcript of Hearing before the
Oil Conservation Division (Commission) was reported by me;
that the said transcript is a full, true, and correct record
of the hearing, prepared by me to the best of my ability.

Sally W. Boyd CSR

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is
a complete record of the proceedings in
the Examiner hearing of Case No. 9173,
heard by me on 2 December 1987.

Michael D. Higgins Examiner
Oil Conservation Division