

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

**APPLICATION OF HILCORP ENERGY COMPANY TO  
AMEND THE WELL DENSITY AND LOCATION  
REQUIREMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXCEPTIONS  
OF THE SPECIAL RULES FOR THE BLANCO-  
MESAVERDE GAS POOL, RIO ARRIBA AND SAN JUAN  
COUNTIES, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. 16403  
ORDER NO. R-10987-A(3)**

**ORDER DENYING MOTION TO STAY APPROVAL OF COMMISSION  
ORDER**

This matter having come before the Oil Conservation Commission (Commission) on the New Mexico State Land Office's (NMSLO) motion to stay approval of Commission Order No. R-10987-A(2), which amended the well density requirements for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool (72319), and on the opposition to the motion filed by Hilcorp Energy Company, the Chair having considered the filings enters the following findings and Order.

1. The Commission entered Order No. R-10987-A(2) on December 4, 2018.
2. NMSLO requests the Commission stay Order No. R-10987-A(2) for 30 days.
3. In its written motion, NMSLO incorrectly states Commissioners Dunn and Balch approved the NMSLO's oral motion at the December 4, 2018 Commission meeting to stay the order.
4. The Commission's rules provide that a party requesting a stay of a Commission order shall file a motion with the Commission clerk and serve copies of the motion upon other parties who appeared in the case and shall attach a proposed stay order to the motion. The Oil Conservation Division Director may grant a stay if the stay is necessary to prevent waste, protect correlative rights, protect public health or the environment, or prevent gross negative consequences to an affected party. 19.5.4.23(B) NMAC.
5. NMSLO is not a party in Case No. 16403 and therefore does not meet the requirements for requesting a stay.

6. In addition, NMSLO does not state in its motion how the stay is necessary to prevent waste, protect correlative rights, protect public health or the environment, or prevent gross negative consequences to an affected party.

THEREFORE, the motion to stay Order No. R-10987-A(2) is hereby denied.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of December 2018.



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HEATHER RILEY, Chair