## **FINAL HEARING AGENDA**



Suite 801, The Chancery Building 1120 Lincoln Street Denver, Colorado 80203

## Monday, July 10, 2006

© 9:00 a.m.	Roll Call of Commiss	Roll Call of Commissioners	
	Approval of Proceedi	Approval of Proceedings	
🕙 9:05 a.m.	Report from the Exec	Report from the Executive Director's Office	
🖲 9:20 a.m.	Report from the Direc	Report from the Director - Written report provided	
© 10:00 a.m.		Report from the Assistant Attorney General Pipeline Rules discussion	
© 10:30 a.m.	Commissioner Comn	Commissioner Comments	
© 10:45 a.m.	Audience Comments	Audience Comments	
() 11:15 a.m.		<u>Consent Agenda</u> 6 Administrative Hearing items including 1 AOC 6 Hearing Officer recommendations under Rule 511.b.	
	Cause No. 166, Docket No. Applicant: Attorney:	<u>0606-SP-29, Plateau Field, Garfield County</u> EnCana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc. Erika Z. Enger	
	Subject:	Request for an order to establish 40-acre drilling and spacing units and allow increased density of up to two (2) wells, for certain lands in Township 8 South, Range 96 West, 6 <sup>th</sup> P.M., with the permitted well to be located no closer than 200 feet from the unit boundary, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.	
	Comments:	Continued to the July hearing. Application withdrawn and hearing cancelled.	
Cause No. 440, Docket No. 0607-SP-34, Parachute Field, Garfield County			
	Applicant: Attorney:	Williams Production RMT Company William A. Keefe	
	Subject:	Request for an order to vacate the NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 25, Township 6 South, Range 95 West, 6 <sup>th</sup> P.M. from the provisions of Order Nos. 440-12 and 440-16.	
	Protestant:	Bureau of Land Management	
	Comments:	Continued to the August hearing.	

Cause No. 510, Docket No. 0607-SP-35, De Beque Field, Garfield/Mesa CountiesApplicant:EnCana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.Attorney:Michael J. WozniakSubject:Request for an order to establish a 160-acre drilling and<br/>spacing unit and allow increased density with the option to drill

- spacing unit and allow increased density with the option to drill up to four (4) wells in the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 13, Township 8 South, Range 97 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., with the permitted well to be located no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundary, and with a setback of at least 600 feet between wells, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.
- Comments: Continued to the August hearing.

# I:00 p.m.Cause No. 191, Docket No. 0607-UP-08, Mamm Creek Field, Garfield County<br/>Applicant:<br/>Attorney:Antero Resources Company<br/>Michael J. Wozniak

- Subject: Request for an order to pool all non-consenting interests in the 320-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the S½ of Section 11, Township 6 South, Range 93 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.
- Protestants:Antlers Minerals, LLC., B & L Resources, LLC., Richard N.<br/>Casey, Yvonne ChambersAttorney:Nathan A. Keever
- Hearing Officer: Tricia Beaver
- Comments: Prehearing Conference held.
- 3:30 p.m. <u>Cause No. 1V, Docket No. 0607-OV-10, Baca County</u> Staff Recommendation
  - Request for an Order Finding Violation finding Wallace Oil & Subject: Gas Inc. in violation of Rule 309., failure to file with the Commission, within forty-five (45) days after the month in which production occurs, a report on Operator's Monthly Report of Operations, Form 7, containing all information required by said form, for the Newman #1-7 Well, located in the SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Section 7, Township 32 South, Range 41 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and the Hume #17-1 Well, located in the SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Section 17, Township 32 South, Range 41 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.; Rule 319.b.(3), a well that has ceased production shall be abandoned within six (6) months unless the time is extended by the Director upon application by the owner, and Rule 326.b., a mechanical integrity test shall be performed within two (2) vears of initial shut-in date, for the Watkins #1 Well, located in the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Section 20, Township 32 South, Range 41 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

**① 4:30** p.m.

<u>Cause No. 1V, Docket No. 0607-OV-11, Wildcat Field, Jefferson County</u> Staff Recommendation

Subject:

Request for an Order Finding Violation finding Plainview Oil & Gas, Inc. in violation of an AOC (1V-296) and failure to comply with Rule 603.j., statewide equipment, weeds, waste, and trash requirements, Rule 1002.c., protection of soils, Rule 1002.e., surface disturbance minimization, Rule 1003.b., interim reclamation of areas no longer in use, Rule 1003.d., drilling pit closure, and Rule 1003.f., weed control, for the State #16-4 Well located in the NW¼ NW¼ of Section 16, Township 2 South, Range 70 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

No protests/interventions were received or protests were resolved on the matters listed below and administrative hearings were held for these matters. Appropriate testimony accompanied by required exhibits was presented to the Hearing Officers in support of the applications. Written Hearing Officer recommendations were provided and exhibits are available upon request. The Applicants agreed to be bound by oral Order of the Commission.

Cause No. 471, Docket No. 0607-UP-11, Jace Unit, Kiowa County				
	Applicant: Attorney:	Citation Oil & Gas Corporation Randall M. Case		
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	Subject:	Request for an order to approve unit operations for certain lands in Township 18 South, Ranges 41 and 42 West, 6 <sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Morrow Formation.		
	Hearing Officers:	David Shelton/Tricia Beaver		
	Comments:	Heard by Hearing Officers who recommend approval.		
Cause Nos. 139 & 440, Docket No. 0607-AW-11, Rulison & Parachute Fields,				
	<u>Garfield County</u> Applicant:	Williams Production RMT Company		
	Attorney:	William A. Keefe		
	Protestant: Attorney:	EnCana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc. Diane Blieszner		
	Rule 510 Statement:	25 citizens		
	Subject:	Request for an order to allow the equivalent of one well per 10 acres, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 100 feet from the unit boundary for certain lands in Townships 6 and 7 South, Ranges 94 and 95 West, 6 <sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork Formation.		
	Hearing Officers:	David Dillon/Tricia Beaver		
	Comments:	Protest withdrawn. Heard by Hearing Officers who recommend approval.		

Cause No. 112, Docket No. 0607-AW-09, Ignacio-Blanco Field, La Plata County

Applicant:Chevron MidContinent, L.P.Attorney:William A. Keefe

- Subject: Request for an order to allow an additional well in the 320-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands in Township 33 North, Range 11 West, N.M.P.M., with the permitted well to be located no closer than 990 feet from the unit boundary, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Fruitland coal seams.
- Hearing Officers: David Shelton/Tricia Beaver
- Comments: Heard by Hearing Officers who recommend approval.

## Cause Nos. 139 & 440, Docket No. 0607-AW-10, Ignacio-Blanco, La Plata CountyApplicant:BP American Production and Red Willow ProducionAttorney:Michael J. Wozniak

- Subject: Request for an order to allow up to four (4) wells to be optionally drilled in the 320-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands in Townships 32 through 34 North, Ranges 6 through 9 West, N.M.P.M., with the permitted well to be located no closer than 660 feet from the unit boundary, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Fruitland coal seams.
- Intervener:La Plata CountyAttorney:Jeffery Robbins
- Hearing Officers: David Shelton/Tricia Beaver
- Comments: Request to intervene was filed by the San Juan Citizens Alliance and a prehearing conference held. The request for intervention was denied and the matter was heard by Hearing Officers who recommend approval.
- Cause No. 510, Docket No. 0607-SP-36, Grand Valley Field, Garfield County

Applicant:	EnCana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
Attorney:	Michael J. Wozniak

- Subject: Request for an order to establish a 160-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the SW¼ of Section 27, Township 7 South, Range 96 West, 6th P.M., and allow increased density with the option to drill up to two (2) wells, with the permitted well to be located in the NW¼ SW¼ and the SE¼ SW¼, of Section 27, Township 7 South, Range 96 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundary.
- Hearing Officers: David Dillon/Tricia Beaver
- Comments: Heard by Hearing Officers who recommend approval.

Subject: Request to approve an Administrative Order by Consent finding XTO Energy, Inc. in violation of Rule 317.d. and Conditions of Permit Approval for failure to set the required amount of surface casing in the Golden Eagle #20-3 Well located in the NE¼ NW¼ of Section 20, Township 33 South, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

## RULE 511.b. RECOMMENDATIONS

No protests/interventions were received on the matters listed below and upon requests made by the applicants to approve the applications based on the merits of the verified applications and the supporting written testimony and exhibits, the Hearing Officers recommend approval.

<u>Cause No. 112, Docket No. 0607-EX-07, Ignacio-Blanco Field, La Plata County</u>			
	Applicant: Attorney:	Black Hills Exploration Inc. William A. Keefe	
	Subject:	Request for an order to reduce the setbacks from 990 feet to 660 feet, with no setbacks from the interior quarter section lines for certain lands in Township 33 North, Range 8 West, N.M.P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Fruitland coal seams.	
	Hearing Officer:	David Dillon	
	Comments:	Hearing Officer recommends approval.	
Cause Nos. 191 & 523, Docket No. 0607-UP-06, Mamm Creek Field, Garfield County			
	Applicant:	Antero Resources Company	
	Attorney:	Michael J. Wozniak	
	Subject:	Request for an order to pool all non-consenting interests in the 320-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the S <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> of Section 9, Township 6 South, Range 92 West, 6 <sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.	
	Hearing Officer:	Tricia Beaver	
	Comments:	Hearing Officer recommends approval.	
Cause	Nos. 191 & 523. Docl	ket No. 0607-UP-07, Mamm Creek Field, Garfield County	
	Applicant: Attorney:	Antero Resources Company Michael J. Wozniak	
	Subject:	Request for an order to pool all non-consenting interests in the 320-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the N <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> of Section 15, Township 6 South, Range 92 West, 6 <sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.	
	Hearing Officer:	Tricia Beaver	

Comments:	Hearing Officer recommends approval.
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Cause No. 191, Docket No. 0607-UP-09, Mamm Creek Field, Garfield CountyApplicant:Antero Resources CompanyAttorney:Michael J. Wozniak

Subject: Request for an order to pool all non-consenting interests in the 260-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the S½ of Section 18, Township 6 South, Range 92 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.

#### Hearing Officer: Tricia Beaver

Comments: Hearing Officer recommends approval.

Cause No. 191, Docket No. 0607-UP-10, Mamm Creek Field, Garfield CountyApplicant:Antero Resources CompanyAttorney:Michael J. Wozniak

Subject: Request for an order to pool all non-consenting interests in the 320-acre drilling and spacing unit consisting of the S½ of Section 17, Township 6 South, Range 92 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.

Hearing Officer: Tricia Beaver

## Comments: Hearing Officer recommends approval.

Cause No. 139, Docket No. 0606-SP-33, Rulison Field, Garfield County

Applicant:	Noble Energy Inc.
Attorney:	Gregory R. Danielson

Subject: Request for an order to establish 40-acre drilling and spacing units and allow increased density of up to four (4) wells, for certain lands in Township 8 South, Range 95 West, 6th P.M., with the permitted well to be located no closer than 100 feet from the unit boundary, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.

## Hearing Officer: Tricia Beaver

## Comments: Hearing Officer recommends approval.