



## HEARING AGENDA

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

Thursday, June 11, 2009

The times associated with each docketed item are subject to change. The Commission reserves the right to call any and all agenda items out of order.

- ⌚ 9:00 a.m.      Roll Call of Commissioners
- Approval of Proceedings
- ⌚ 9:05 a.m.      Report from the Executive Director's Office
- ⌚ 9:15 a.m.      Report from the Director - Written report provided
- ⌚ 10:00 a.m.      Report from the Assistant Attorney General
- ⌚ 10:15 a.m.      Commissioner Comments
- ⌚ 10:30 a.m.      Audience Comments
- ⌚ 11:00 a.m.      Consent Agenda  
                    § Hearing Officer recommendations under Rule 511
- ⌚ 11:15 a.m.      Report on the Ramifications of the Vance Decision – John Cyran, First AAG State Engineer
- ⌚ 11:30 a.m.      Cause No. 1V, Docket No. 0906-OV-08, Cheyenne County  
                    Staff Recommendation
- Subject:      Request for an order finding violation by Samotlor Petroleum Investments, LLC in violation of Rule 319.b.(1), Rule 319.b.(4), and Rule 326.a.(4), for the Golden Hammer Lowe "H" #2 Well located in the SE¼ NW¼ of Section 18, Township 16 South, Range 44 West, 6th P.M.
- ⌚ 12:00 p.m.      Executive Session

## CONSENT AGENDA

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No valid protests/interventions were received or valid protests were resolved, or no interventions were made on the technical merits for the matters listed below. **Based 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.** Draft proposed orders were provided. The applicants agreed to be bound by oral order of the Commission.

## RULE 511 RECOMMENDATIONS

Cause No. 112, Docket No. 0905-AW-02, Ignacio-Blanco Field, La Plata County  
Applicant:              McElvain Oil & Gas Properties, Inc.  
Attorney:                Susan L. Aldridge

Subject: Request for an order to allow up to four optional infill wells in the existing 320-acre drilling and spacing unit, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 660 feet from the unit boundary and no setback to interior quarter section line, for the S½ of Section 20, Township 33 North, Range 8 West, N.M.P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Fruitland coal seams.

Intervenor: La Plata County  
Attorney: Paul Kosnik

Comments: Continued from the June hearing. La Plata County has filed a conditional withdrawal of its intervention based on negotiated MOU incorporation into the draft order.

Cause No. 112, Docket No. 0906-AW-04, Ignacio-Blanco Field, Archuleta County

Applicant: Energen Resources Corporation  
Attorneys: Michael J. Wozniak/Andrew A. Bremner

Subject: Request for an order to allow up to two optional infill wells, for a total of up to 4 wells, in the existing 320-acre drilling and spacing unit, with the permitted well to be located no closer than 660 feet from the unit boundary and no setback to any interior quarter section line, for the N½ of Section 12, Township 32 North, Range 6 West, N.M.P.M., for the development and operation of the Fruitland coal seams.

Cause No. 520, Docket No. 0906-EX-02, Oakdale Field, Huerfano County

Applicant: Spoon Valley, LLC  
Attorneys: Scott M. Campbell/Nick A. Swartzendruber

Subject: Request for an order allowing an exception to the permitted location for the Cougar No. 1 Well located 565 feet FNL and 2,059 feet FWL in the NW¼ of Section 9, Township 29 South, Range 69 West, 6th P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Dakota and Entrada Formations.

Cause No. 191, Docket No. 0906-EX-03, Mamm Creek Field, Garfield County

Applicant: Bill Barrett Corporation  
Attorney: William A. Keefe

Subject: Request for an order to allow an exception to the permitted well location for wells to be located less than 600 feet from the boundary of the Gibson Gulch Federal Unit for certain lands in Sections 19 through 21 and 28 through 33 in Township 6 South, Ranges 91 West, 6th P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Iles Formation.

Cause No. 407, Docket No. 0906-UP-04, Wattenberg Field, Weld County

Applicant: Noble Energy, Inc.  
Attorney: Susan L. Aldridge

Subject: Request for an order to establish various drilling and spacing units and wellbore spacing units for certain lands located

Sections 7 and 18, Township 5 South, Range 66 West, 6th P.M., for the production of oil and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations, and to pool all nonconsenting interests in said units, for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Cause No. 407, Docket No. 0906-UP-07, Wattenberg Field, Weld County

Applicant: Noble Energy, Inc.

Attorneys: Michael J. Wozniak/Susan L. Aldridge

Subject: Request for an order to establish three approximate 160-acre wellbore spacing units for certain lands located in Section 30, Township 5 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., for the production of oil and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations, and to pool all nonconsenting interests in said units, for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Cause No. 112, Docket No. 0906-UP-08, Ignacio-Blanco Field, La Plata County

Applicant: BP America Production Company

Attorneys: Michael J. Wozniak/Susan L. Aldridge

Subject: Request for an order to pool all nonconsenting interests in the established 320-acre drilling and spacing unit for the N½ of Section 22, Township 33 North, Range 8 West, N.M.P.M., for the development and operation of the Fruitland coal seam.

Cause No. 232, Docket No. 0906-UP-09, Wattenberg Field, Weld County

Applicant: Petroleum Development Corporation

Attorney: Kenneth A. Wonstolen

Subject: Request for an order to segregate the existing 320-acre drilling and spacing unit into two 160-acre drilling and spacing units consisting of the NW¼ and SW¼ of Section 21, Township 5 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M., for production of gas from the "J" Sand Formation, and pool all nonconsenting interests in said units, for the development and operation of the "J" Sand Formation.

**CONTINUED MATTERS**

Cause No. 1, Docket No. 0809-GA-01, Adams County

Applicant: Colorado Board of Parks and Outdoor Recreation

Attorney: Timothy J. Monahan

Subject: Request for an order to designate Barr Lake State Park as a Designated Outside Activity Area.

Protestants: James Alexander, Alexander Energy Company, HRM Resources, Texas American Resources Company and Sovereign Energy LLC.

Attorney: Stephen J. Sullivan

Protestant: Noble Energy, Inc.

Attorneys: Michael J. Wozniak/Andrew A. Bremner

Protestant: Anadarko Petroleum Corporation  
Attorneys: John R. Jacus/Sam G. Niebrugge

Comments: A prehearing conference was held on September 3, 2008. The matter has been continued to the September hearing to allow the parties to continue settlement discussions.

Cause No. 191, Docket No. 0903-UP-03, Mamm Creek Field, Garfield County

Applicant: Antero Resources Piceance Corporation  
Attorney: William A. Keefe

Subject: Request for an order to pool all nonconsenting interests in the 80-acre drilling and spacing unit for the E½ NE¼ of Section 11, Township 6 South, Range 93 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the development and operation of the Williams Fork, Iles and Mancos Formations.

Comments: Continued to the July hearing.

Cause No. 407, Docket No. 0906-UP-05, Wattenberg Field, Weld County

Applicant: Noble Energy, Inc.  
Attorney: Susan L. Aldridge

Subject: Request for an order to establish two approximate 160-acre wellbore spacing units for certain lands located in Section 30, Township 5 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., and Section 25, Township 5 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., for production of oil from the Codell and Niobrara Formations, and to pool all nonconsenting interests in said units, for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Protestant: Merit Energy Company  
Attorney: Christopher G. Hayes

Comments: Continued to the July hearing.

Cause No. 407, Docket No. 0906-UP-06, Wattenberg Field, Weld County

Applicant: Noble Energy, Inc.  
Attorney: Susan L. Aldridge

Subject: Request for an order to establish two approximate 160-acre wellbore spacing units for certain lands located in Section 14, Township 5 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M., for production of oil from the Codell and Niobrara Formations, and to pool all nonconsenting interests in said units, for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Protestant: Merit Energy Company  
Attorney: Christopher G. Hayes

Comments: Continued to the July hearing.