

Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

Hearing Wrap-up Report

December 2017



The Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission held its monthly hearing December 12, 2017 at 9 a.m. Commissioners present were the Honorable Governor Matt Mead, Bridget Hill, Erin Campbell, Mark Doelger and Ken Hendricks. Also representing the WOGCC were Supervisor Mark Watson and Attorneys Eric Easton and Michael Armstrong.

Announcements:

The meeting opened with Bridget Hill welcoming Wyoming's new State Geologist Erin Campbell to the Commission.

The December 2017 Hearing docket showed:

- 249 total applications
- 39 applications continued
- 19 applications withdrawn
- 3 returned for admin processing
- 158 examiner hearings
- 0 aquifers/units hearings
- 0 pit treatment hearings
- 13 applications to be heard by the Commission
- 16 preliminary matters
- 1 sent to the APD docket

Preliminary Matters:

Docket 530-2017, 531-2017, 1183-2017, 1184-2017, 1185-2017, 1444-2017 and 1445-2017 Legal counsel for EOG requested that their seven filings be continued until January 2018. It was approved by the Commission.

Docket 611-2017, 612-2017 and 1512-2017 Legal counsel for Navigation requested that their three filings be continued until January 2018. It was approved by the Commission.

Docket 613-2017, 614-2017, 859-2017 and 860-2017 Legal counsel for Navigation requested that their four filings be continued until March 2018. It was approved by the Commission.

Docket 850-2017, 1516-2017, 1518-2017, 1721-2017 and 1722-2017 Legal counsel for Anadarko requested that their five filings be continued until January 2018. It was approved by the Commission.

Docket 1910-2017 and 1911-2017 Legal counsel for Petro-Hunt requested that their two filings be continued until February 2018. It was approved by the Commission.

Docket 2298-2017 and 2299-2017 Legal counsel for Ballard requested that their two filings be continued until January 2018.

Docket 2377-2017 Supervisor Mark Watson noted that this filing should be listed as continued to February.

Before the Commission:

Docket 2378-2017 Commission adopted amended rules for Chapters 1 and 5, and new Chapter 6 with consideration of comments from LSO.

Docket 2218-2017 and 2219-2017 Legal counsel for Anadarko recommended these items be returned to examiners. Commission approved.

Docket 2337, 2338, 2339, 2340 - 2017 Commission granted Anschutz's application to force pool Chesapeake with maximum statutory penalties along with additional private agreement.

Docket 2371-2017* Red Willow Great Plains executed a Consent and Stipulation to the entry of an order to pay a \$5,000 fine within 60 days for failure to call in a spud for the Buffalo State 20-1 well in Johnson County in violation of Chapter 3, Section 22. **Fines collected by the WOGCC are given to the school district where the violation occurred.*

Docket 2372-2017 Commission approved WOGCC staff's recommendation to revoke John P Alevizakes bond for the purpose of plugging and abandoning the well.

Docket 2373-2017 Commission approved WOGCC staff's recommendation for surface and subsurface equipment of Armada Operating LLC to be abandoned and authorized the WOGCC to dispose of the abandoned property.

Docket 2375-2017 Commission approved WOGCC staff's recommendation to revoke LaBarge Minerals' bond and plug and abandon the well for failure to update bonding in violation of WOGCC rules and regulations, Chapter 3, Section 4.

Docket 2379-2017 Devon appeared before the Commission requesting authorization to flare a maximum total volume of 40.1 MMcf/day total for the four wells until February 15, 2018 due to capacity limitations of Thunder Creek's gas handling facility. This is a temporary situation. Commission approved.