

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD HEARING
MINUTES NOVEMBER 18, 2014

Pursuant to Sections 45.1-361.9B and 45.1361.22.B of the Code of Virginia, the Virginia Gas and Oil Board held its scheduled monthly hearing commencing at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, November 18, 2014 at the Russell County Government Conference Center, 139 Highland Drive, Lebanon, Virginia.

Board members present were Bradley C. Lambert (Chairman), Bill Harris (Public Representative), Bruce A. Prather (Oil and Gas Industry Representative), Donald Lewis Ratliff (Coal Industry Representative) and Mary Addington Quillen (Public Representative).

Also present were Paul Kugelman, Jr. (Senior Assistant Attorney General), Rick Cooper (Principal Executive to the Board) and Sarah Gilmer (Division of Gas and Oil).

1. The Board will receive public comments.

There were no public comments.

2. A petition from EQT Production Company, for the disbursement of funds and authorization for direct payment on behalf of known owners on Tracts 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9. Docket Number VGOB 97-0520-0586-02. Continued from March 2014.

The docket item was continued to March, 2015. Continuance requested by the applicant.

3. A petition from EQT Production Company, for the disbursement of funds and authorization for direct payment on behalf of the known owners on Tracts 3, 4, 9, and 10 in Well VC-503042. Docket Number VGOB 04-1214-1373-05. Continued from May 2014.

The docket item was approved. Account will close. Authorization for direct payment of royalties.

4. A petition from EQT Production Company, for the disbursement of funds and authorization for direct payment on behalf of all known owners as to Tracts 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 in Well VC-537244. Docket Number VGOB 07-1218-2101-01. Continued from September 2014.

The docket item was continued to February, 2015. Continuance requested by the applicant.

5. A petition from EQT Production Company, for disbursement of funds and authorization for direct payment on behalf of all known owners as to Tracts 2 and 3 in Well VC-502974. Docket Number VGOB 05-0419-1437-01. Continued from September 2014.

The docket item was continued to March, 2015. The docket item was placed back on the March 2015 docket in order to remove individuals from the disbursement table and to make required changes to exhibits.

6. A petition from EQT Production Company, for disbursement and authorization for direct payment on behalf of all known owners in Tracts 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 in Well VC-504482. Docket Number VGOB 01-0619-0899-02. Continued from October 2014.

The docket item was continued to March, 2015. The docket item was placed back on the March 2015 docket in order to remove individuals from the disbursement table and to make required changes to exhibits.

7. A petition from EQT Production Company, for disbursement and authorization for direct payment on behalf of all known owners in Tract 4 in Well PC-313 (VC-751313). Docket Number VGOB 93-0119-0309-06. Continued from October 2014.

The docket item was continued to January, 2015. Continuance requested by the applicant.

8. A petition from EQT Production Company, for disbursement of funds and authorization of direct payment on behalf of all known owners in Tracts 1, 2, 4 and 5 on Well VC-536070 in Castlewood District, Russell County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB 04-0921-1337-08.

The docket item was continued to March, 2015. The docket item was placed back on the March 2015 docket in order to remove individuals from the disbursement table and to make required changes to exhibits.

9. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC, for (1) the disbursement of escrowed funds heretofore deposited with the Board's Escrow Agent(s) attributable to Tract(s) 1B & 1C as depicted upon the annexed Table 1; and (2) authorization to begin paying royalties directly to the parties to the prevailing plaintiffs; Dollie S. Absher and Doris E. Dye. Docket Number VGOB 03-0415-1142-03.

The docket item was approved. Account continues. Authorization for direct payment of royalties.

10. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC, for (1) Refund of escrow payments heretofore deposited with the Board's Escrow Agent(s); Reimburse overpayment of funds deposited with the Board's Escrow Agent attributable to unit EE33 to CNX Gas Company, LLC. (2) the disbursement of escrowed funds heretofore deposited with the Board's Escrow Agent (s) attributable to Tract(s) 2C & 2D as depicted upon the annexed Table 1; and (3) authorization to begin paying royalties directly to the parties to the Royalty Split between Swords Creek Land Partnership and Jackie Richardson and Phyllis Richardson, as well as authorization to begin paying royalties directly to the prevailing plaintiff; Dollie S. Absher. Docket Number VGOB 02-0820-1054-02.

The docket item was approved. Account will close. Authorization for direct payment of royalties.

11. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC, for re-pooling Unit AZ143 under Middle Ridge I CBM field. Docket Number VGOB 08-0115-2122-01.

The docket item was approved. Escrowing required.

12. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC, for re-pooling Unit O40 in the Oakwood CBM field I & II. Docket Number VGOB 93-0420-0361-04.

The docket item was approved. Escrowing required.

13. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC, for re-pooling Unit O41 in the Oakwood CBM field I & II. Docket Number VGOB 93-0420-0362-03.

The docket item was approved. Escrowing required.

14. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC, for re-pooling Unit AX146 under Middle Ridge I Coalbed Methane Gas field. Docket Number VGOB 13-1217-4028-01.

The docket item was approved. Escrowing required.

15. The Board received an update of Board and Division activities from the staff.

Mr. Rick Cooper, Division of Gas and Oil Director, reported to the Board that the First Bank & Trust contract renewal will be signed on Thursday November 20, 2014, by George Taylor, Sr. Vice President, Wealth Management for First Bank and Trust Company.

Tarah Kesterson, Public Relations Manager for DMME, reported to the Board that there will be a press conference after the Board Hearing to launch the new mapping system on DMME's website to help to locate escrow units for unknown/unlocatable owners that may have money in the escrow account.

16. The Board will review the October 2014 minutes for approval.

The Board approved the October 2014 minutes.

The hearing adjourned at 10:52 a.m.