COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD HEARING MINUTES MAY 16, 2017

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, May 16, 2017 at the Russell County Government Conference Center, 139 Highland Drive, Lebanon, Virginia.

Board members present were Bradley C. Lambert (Chairman), Bill Harris (Public Representative), Donald Lewis Ratliff (Coal Industry Representative), Mary Addington Quillen (Public Representative) and Rita Surratt (Public Representative).

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

1. The Board received public comments.

There were no public comments.

 A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC, for (1) the disbursement of escrowed funds heretofore deposited with the Board's Escrow Agent, attributable to a portion of Tract 1E, as depicted upon the annexed table; and (2) authorization to begin paying royalties directly to Richard Kennith Wade. Unit X36. Docket Number VGOB 98-0324-0628-06.

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

 A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC, for (1) the disbursement of escrowed funds heretofore deposited with the Board's Escrow Agent, attributable to Tracts 2A & 3A, as depicted upon the annexed table; and (2) Dismissal of coal owners: Coal Mountain Mining Co and James McGuire Land Trust. (Royalties currently being paid under BUCH1SGU4, Docket #VGOB13-1217-4029); Unit R43. Docket Number VGOB 00-0321-0781-05.

The docket item was approved. The account will continue. Authorization for direct payment of royalties.

4. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC, for (1) the disbursement of escrowed funds heretofore deposited with the Board's Escrow Agent, attributable to Tracts 2C, 2D, 2G, & 5, as depicted upon the annexed table; and (2) authorization to begin paying royalties directly to Madeline Hunt and Bobby and Tracy Jackson; and (3) Dismissal of Coal Owners: Elizabeth Barker, Thomas Joseph Barker, Timothy John Barker, Heather Dawson, Sandra Gerende, Brandon Mullins, John David Mullins, Marilyn Mullins, Thomas L. Mullins, Cornelia Mullins, Theodore Mullins, George Mullins, Sr., Stephanie Mullins-Williams, and Jennifer Wheeler. Unit VP8SGU5. Docket Number VGOB 07-1113-2083-02.

The docket item was approved. The account will continue. Authorization for direct payment of royalties. Checks for Bobby and Tracy Jackson are to be mailed to T. Shea Cook but made payable to the landowners.

 A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC, for Pooling under Oakwood Coalbed Methane Gas Field I. Unit B40. Docket Number VGOB 17-0516-4117.

The docket item was approved. No escrowing required.

 A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, for a Well Location Exception for Well 900148, Sandlick District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB 17-0516-4118.

The docket item was approved.

7. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, for a Well Location Exception for Well 900149, Prater District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB 17-0516-4119.

The docket item was approved.

 A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, for Pooling of Well No. VCI-530475, Hurricane District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Unit Well No. VCI-530475. Docket Number VGOB 17-0516-4120.

The docket item was approved. No escrowing required. A letter was read from John C. Irvin, stating that Levisa Coal Company has not provided EnerVest Operating, LLC, with a Consent to Stimulate for this well.

9. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, for Pooling of Well No. VCI-530473, Ervinton District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB 17-0516-4121.

The docket item was approved. No escrowing required.

10. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, for Pooling of Well No. VCI-538428, New Garden District, Russell County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB 17-0516-4122.

The docket item was approved. No escrowing required.

11. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, for Pooling of Well No. VCI-538847, Prater District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB 17-0516-4123.

The docket item was approved. No escrowing required. A letter was read from John C. Irvin, stating that Levisa Coal Company has not provided EnerVest Operating, LLC, with a Consent to Stimulate for this well.

12. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, for Pooling of Well No. Haysi-156, Prater District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB 17-0516-4124.

The docket item was approved. Escrowing required.

13. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, to disburse escrow funds to all known owners in Tract 3, pursuant to HB 2058. Unit 703756. Docket Number VGOB 98-0818-0678-02.

The docket item was approved. The account will continue. Authorization for direct payment of royalties.

14. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, to disburse escrow funds to all known owners in Tract 2, pursuant to HB 2058. Unit 704057. Docket Number VGOB 99-0720-0737-01.

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

15. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, to disburse escrow funds to all known owners in Tract 1, VGOB 01-0918-0926-01. Unit 504660. Docket Number VGOB 01-0918-0926-01.

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

16. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, to disburse escrow funds to all known owners in Tract 10, VGOB 02-0521-1030. Unit 504659. Docket Number VGOB 02-0521-1030-03.

The docket item was approved. The account will continue. Authorization for direct payment of royalties.

17. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, to distribute escrow funds to all known owners in Tract 4, pursuant to HB 2058. Unit 536086. Docket Number VGOB 06-1219-1838-02.

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

18. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, to disburse escrow funds to all known owners in Tract 3, VGOB 07-0821-1990, pursuant to HB 2058 and pursuant to Final Order CL 16-115. Unit 505214. Docket Number VGOB 07-0821-1990-01.

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

 A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, to disburse escrow funds to all known owners in Tracts 5 and 6, pursuant to Final Order of court in Case No CL 16-115 of record at Deed Book 543, Page 464 in the Dickenson County Clerk's Office. Unit 504473. Docket Number VGOB 08-0617-2258-01. Continued from April 2017.

The docket item was approved. The account will continue. Authorization for direct payment of royalties.

 A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, to disburse escrow funds to all known owners in Tract 5, pursuant to Final Order CL 16-115. Unit V-530107. Docket Number VGOB 08-1021-2361-01.

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

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

Mr. Cooper updated the Board on the disbursement totals thus far. For the Fiscal Year 2017, \$4,939,797.25, has been disbursed. Since House Bill 2058 was enacted, \$11,918,053.71, has been disbursed.

22. The Board reviewed the April 2017 minutes for approval.

The docket item was approved.

The hearing adjourned at 11:15 a.m.