

## STATE OF NEW MEXICO WATER QUALITY CONTROL COMMISSION 1190 St. Francis Drive, Suite S-2102 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 Phone: (505) 827-2428

### **CONSTITUENT AGENCIES**

Environment Department Game and Fish Department Department of Agriculture State Parks Division Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources

State Engineer & Interstate Stream Commission Oil Conservation Division Department of Health Soil and Water Conservation Commission Members-at-Large

Meeting Minutes New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Meeting October 08, 2019 9:00 a.m. State Capitol Building, Room 307 490 Old Santa Fe Trail Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jennifer Pruett Gabriel Wade

Dr. Abinash Achrekar Keith Candelaria David Certain

Larry Dominguez Howard Hutchinson Krista McWilliams Ghassan Musharrafieh

Kirk Patten Kelsey Rader David Sypher (teleconference) Bruce Thomson Stacy Timmons Chair, New Mexico Environment Department Vice Chair, Oil Conservation Division

Department of Health Member-at-Large State Parks Division, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department Department of Agriculture Soil and Water Conservation Commission Member-at-Large New Mexico State Engineer and Intrastate Stream Commission New Mexico Game and Fish Member-at-Large Municipal and County Representative Member-at-Large New Mexico Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

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### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

John Grubesic	Commission Counsel
Cody Barnes	Commission Administrator
Rebekah Martinez	Commission Administrator
Cheryl Arreguin	Certified Court Reporter
Felicia Orth	Hearing Officer for WQCC 19-03 (R)
Stuart R. Butzier	Counsel for Peabody Natural Resources Company
	in WQCC 19-03 (R)
Christina C. Sheehan	Counsel for Peabody Natural Resources Company
	in WQCC 19-03 (R)
John Cochran	Consultant for Peabody Natural Resources
	Company providing technical testimony
Chad Gaines	Environmental Specialist for Peabody Natural
	Resources Company providing technical testimony
Jeffrey Olyphant	Hydrology manager for Peabody Natural Resources
	Company providing technical testimony
James Boswell	Environmental, Regulatory and Permitting Director
	for Peabody Natural Resources Company providing
	technical testimony
Annie Maxfield	Counsel for NMED in WQCC 19-03 (R)
Shelly Lemon	Surface Water Quality Bureau Chief for NMED
- 	providing technical testimony
Jennifer Fullam	Environmental Scientist Supervisor for the Surface
	Water Quality Bureau providing technical
	testimony

### Please see attached sign-in-sheet for others present.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

#### Item 1. Roll Call.

The Administrator called the roll; a quorum was present.

### Item 2. Approval of the Draft Agenda.

- Action: Vice Chair Wade moved to approve the draft agenda. Commissioner Dominguez seconded the motion. The Chair called a voice vote. The motion passed unanimously.
- Item 3. Approval of meeting minutes from September 10, 2019.
- Action: Commissioner Hutchinson moved to approve the meeting minutes from September 10, 2019. Vice Chair Wade seconded the motion. The Chair called a voice vote. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Item 4. Public comment.

Action: No members of the public wished to speak.

Item 5. Regulatory Hearing; WQCC 19-03 (R), In the Matter of the Proposed Amendments to Surface Water Quality Standards for San Isidro Arroyo and Tributaries 20.6.4 NMAC. Stuart R. Butzier, Modrall Sperling Roehl Harris & Sisk, P.A., counsel on behalf of Peabody Natural Resources Company. Annie Maxfield, NMED/OGC. The Water Quality Control Commission may render a decision following the hearing.

Action: Ms. Cheryl Arreguin from Albuquerque Court Reporting Services transcribed agenda item 5. The transcript is available for review at the Commission Administrator's Office at 1190 South Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87505. A copy can be obtained from Albuquerque Court Reporting Service, LLC. Post Office Box 56787, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87187, or (505) 806-1202.

Hearing Officer Felicia Orth provided an explanation of the hearing procedures.

Mr. Stuart R. Butzier, counsel for the Applicant, gave an opening statement. Mr. John Cochran, Mr. Chad Gaines, Mr. Jeffery Olyphant, and Mr. James Boswell provided technical testimony for the Applicant, and were examined as a panel by the Commissioners and NMED counsel.

Ms. Annie Maxfield, NMED counsel, provided an opening statement. Ms. Shelly Lemon and Ms. Jennifer Fullam provided technical testimony for the Department, and were examined by Commissioners as a panel.

Public comment was invited; none was offered.

The Hearing Officer closed the evidentiary record, and the Commission deliberated on the petition.

Commissioner Hutchinson moved to approve the proposed amendment to 20.6.4 NMAC presented in the Applicant's Exhibit 9. Commissioner Dominguez seconded the motion. The Chair called for a roll call vote. Commissioner Achrekar: aye; Commissioner Candelaria: aye; Commissioner Certain: aye; Commissioner Dominguez: aye; Commissioner Hutchinson: aye; Commissioner McWilliams: aye; Commissioner Musharrafieh: aye; Commissioner Patten: aye; Chair Pruett: aye; Commissioner Rader: aye; Commissioner Thomson: absent; Commissioner Timmons: aye; and, Vice Chair Wade: aye. The motion passed 13-0.

Commissioner Hutchinson moved that the Chair may sign an order prepared by Commission Counsel. Commissioner Dominguez seconded the motion. The Chair called a voice vote. The motion passed unanimously.

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# Item 10. Next meeting and upcoming matters proposed for November 12, 2019

- Action: There are no upcoming matters yet for the November 12, 2019 meeting. No action was taken.
- Item 11. Adjournment
- Action: The meeting adjourned at 2:30 PM.

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