



IDAHO OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Chris Beck, Chairman
Margaret Chipman, Vice Chairman
Sid Cellan, Commissioner
Jim Classen, Commissioner
Ken Smith, Commissioner

Tom Schultz, Secretary to the Commission

Final Minutes
Idaho Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Special Meeting
October 1, 2014

The special meeting of the Idaho Oil and Gas Conservation Commission was held on Wednesday, October 1, 2014 in the State Capitol, Hearing Room WW55, 700 W Jefferson, Boise, Idaho. The meeting began at 1:01 p.m. Chairman Chris Beck presided. The following members were present:

Vice Chairman Margaret Chipman
Commissioner Sid Cellan
Commissioner Jim Classen
Commissioner Ken Smith

For the record, Chairman Beck recognized the presence of all Commission members.

Also for the record, Vice Chairman Chipman disclosed a potential conflict of interest regarding the Commission's consideration of Alta Mesa's application for integration (agenda item 2). Alta Mesa is developing oil and gas resources in Idaho under a joint operating agreement with Snake River Oil and Gas. Vice Chairman Chipman owns mineral rights and has leased minerals to Snake River. Vice Chairman Chipman acknowledged the potential conflict of interest in the pending matter and affirmed her ability to impartially evaluate Alta Mesa's application, based on the record before the Commission.

- **REGULAR**

- 1. Alta Mesa Services, LP's Motion for Pro Hac Vice Admission: Docket No. 2014-OG-01-01**

COMMISSION ACTION: A motion was made by Vice Chairman Chipman to support the admission of Mr. John Peiserich. Commissioner Classen seconded the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

**2. Alta Mesa Services, LP's Application for Integration and Unit Designation:
Docket No. 2014-OG-01-01**

Testimony was presented by Alta Mesa's counsel and witnesses.

A verbatim transcript is available by request to the Department of Lands, Attn: Oil and Gas Commission Recording Secretary, PO Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0050 or by email to public_records_request@idl.idaho.gov.

COMMISSION ACTION: Commission action was held pending Executive Session (see below).

At 2:40 p.m. a motion was made by Vice Chairman Chipman to resolve into Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345(1)(d) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure as provided in chapter 3, title 9, Idaho Code. Commissioner Classen seconded the motion. Chairman Beck requested a roll call vote. Roll Call Vote: *Aye:* Chipman, Cellan, Classen, Smith, Beck; *Nay:* None; *Absent:* None.

- **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A. Idaho Code 67-2345(1)(d) - to consider records that are exempt from disclosure as provided in chapter 3, title 9, Idaho Code. [TOPIC: Information designated as trade secrets in Alta Mesa's application for integration and unit designation, Docket No. 2014-OG-01-01]

At 3:35 p.m. the Commission resolved out of Executive Session by unanimous consent. No action was taken by the Commission during the Executive Session.

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Commission Action on Agenda Item 2

The Commission asked further questions of Alta Mesa's counsel; counsel then presented closing argument.

COMMISSION ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith that the Commission approve Alta Mesa's application as presented. Vice Chairman Chipman seconded the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 4-1; Commissioner Classen voiced the dissenting vote.

There being no further business before the Commission, at 4:06 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Vice Chairman Chipman. Commissioner Cellan seconded the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-0. Meeting adjourned.

