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Commissioners:  
Frank Thorwald, Chair  
J. Dale Nations, Ph.D., Vice Chair  
Stephen R. Cooper  
William C. Feyerabend

## MINUTES OF EMERGENCY MEETING

March 8, 2019

### PRESENT:

Mr. Frank Thorwald,	Chairman, Arizona Oil & Gas Conservation Commission (AOGCC) (via phone)
Dr. Dale Nations,	AOGCC Vice Chairman (via phone)
Mr. Bill Feyerabend,	AOGCC Member (via phone)
Mr. Stephen Cooper,	AOGCC Member (via phone)
Mr. Rick Zeise,	AOGCC Counsel
Mr. Dennis Turner,	AOGCC Program Administrator
Ms. Madeline Greenbaum,	ADEQ

### CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Thorwald called the AOGCC Meeting of March 8, 2019 to order at 9:02 a.m. in Room 3100B at the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ), Phoenix, Arizona. No one reported any conflicts of interest and the roll call confirmed a sufficient number were present for a quorum.

### DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON THE RENEWAL OF THE RANGER 34-1 NS

This emergency meeting was called to address a request by Ranger Development, LLC (Ranger) to extend the expiration date of Permit # 1227, Ranger 34-1 NS, to June 8, 2019 (180 days after the original expiration date of December 10, 2018).

Mr. Thorwald led a discussion on whether to create a new permit or extend the expired one. Mr. Zeise stated that, according to A.A.C. R-12-7-104(D), extension of a permit may be granted by the Commission in writing and recommended that a retroactive extension of the permit was possible, even if expired, provided that the Commission notified Ranger in writing. His recommendation was to extend the permit 180 days from the original expiration date to June 8, 2019. Mr. Turner stated that this decision is consistent with the extension of the Ranger 9-1 PDS by the AOGCC in the summer of 2018.

Dr. Nations expressed his displeasure with the Ranger's failure to keep up with the minimum requirements of the rule regarding permit extensions and reporting requirements. Dr. Nations reminded Ranger of the extensive work the Commission had done in the Spring and Summer of 2018 to review and approve numerous permits as part of a 40 acre well spacing plan. Dr. Nations requested to see a status report on all wells permitted in 2018 before the next meeting.

Mr. Turner and Mr. Hines are already preparing the documentation Dr. Nations requested. Mr. Turner will share the compiled documentation with the AOGCC as part of preparation for the next Commission meeting on April 12, 2019.

Dr. Nations moved, seconded by Mr. Thorwald that:

THE PERMIT DEADLINE BE EXTENDED 180 DAYS FOR RANGER 34-1 NS, PERMIT # 1227, TO EXPIRE ON JUNE 8, 2019.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Feyerabend moved, seconded by Mr. Thorwald:

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED

Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 a.m.

REVIEWED

  
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FRANK THORWALD  
Chairman

4/12/2019  
DATE

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Tony Hines, Ranger Development L.L.C. (via phone)  
Keenan Murray, AZ State Land Dept.  
David Haag, AZ State Land Dept.