

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD HEARING  
MINUTES SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

Pursuant to Sections 45.2-1609.C and 45.2-1624.B of the Code of Virginia, the Virginia Gas and Oil Board held its scheduled monthly hearing commencing at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 19, 2023. Location: Virginia Energy 3405 Mountain Empire Road, Big Stone Gap, VA 24219. Those who wish to join the meeting online, please contact the Gas and Oil office at 276-393-5507, prior to the day of the hearing. If you wish to call-in to the meeting, you may do so by dialing 1-434-230-0065, Conference ID: 753948247#.

Board members present were Bill Harris (Public Representative), Bruce A. Prather (Oil and Gas Industry Representative), Donald Lewis Ratliff (Coal Industry Representative), Gus W. Janson (Public Representative), Mary Addington Quillen (Public Representative), Rita Surratt (Public Representative) and Willart Cochran (Virginia Energy Representative).

Also present were Bradley Boyd (Gas and Oil Operations Manager), Darrell Kuntz III (Assistant Attorney General II), Lydia Sinemus (Program Administration Manager II), Phil Skorupa (Director, Division of Gas and Oil) and Sarah Gilmer (Division of Gas and Oil).

1. The Board reviewed and approved the remote attendance resolutions for board members that attended the meeting remotely. The Board received public comments.  
There were no public comments.
2. A petition from Pocahontas Gas, LLC, for Re-Pooling under Oakwood Coalbed Methane Gas Field(s) II to address acreage changes. Unit Y32. Docket Number VGOB 97-0318-0573-02.  
The docket item was approved. No escrowing required.
3. A petition from Pocahontas Gas, LLC, for (1) the disbursement of escrowed funds heretofore deposited with the Board's Escrow Agent, attributable to a portion of Tract 1D, as depicted upon the annexed table; and (2) authorization to begin paying royalties directly to the parties to the royalty split between Harrison-Wyatt, LLC & The Heirs of Ruby Mitchell, including Tenita Mitchell. Unit BG98. Docket Number VGOB 06-0919-1714-04.  
The docket item was approved.
4. A petition from Keyrock Energy, LLC, for (1) Establishment of Keyrock #3, a sealed gob production unit consisting of 401.983 +/- acres for the drilling, development and production of coalbed methane gas from the sealed gob sometimes referred to herein as the "Subject Formation", pursuant to Va. Code § 45.2-1620, which drilling unit is further described and depicted in the "Exhibit A" annexed hereto and which is further described in the application filed with Virginia Energy. (2) Pooling of interests in subject unit pursuant to Va. Code § 45.2-1622, for the production of sealed coalbed methane gob gas from de-stressed formations associated with full-seam mining of coal (herein referred to as "Gob Gas"); and (3) Designate the applicant as the unit operator for the subject unit. Unit Keyrock #3. Docket Number VGOB 23-0919-4273.  
The docket item was continued to November, 2023.

5. A petition from Keyrock Energy, LLC, for Well Location Exception, pursuant to Virginia Code § 45.2-1616 for unit Keyrock #3, located in the Nora Quad, Ervinton Magisterial District of Dickenson County, Virginia. Applicant requests the Virginia Gas and Oil Board to enter an order to enable Well No. Keyrock #3 to be drilled as depicted on the plat attached as "Exhibit A" and that applicant be granted the right to produce methane gas from the mined-out Jawbone Coal Seam in the Contura Deep Mine 41 which appear on the well work permit submitted to the Inspector. Unit Keyrock #3. Docket Number VGOB 23-0919-4274.

The docket item was continued to November, 2023.

6. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, for pooling. Unit VC-600012. Docket Number VGOB 23-0718-4266.

The docket item was approved. No escrowing required.

7. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, for pooling. Unit VC-538730. Docket Number VGOB 23-0815-4267.

The docket item was approved. No escrowing required.

8. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, for pooling. Unit VCI-504871. Docket Number VGOB 23-0815-4268.

The docket item was approved. No escrowing required.

9. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, for pooling. Unit V-536907. Docket Number VGOB 23-0919-4270.

The docket item was approved. Escrowing required.

10. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, for pooling. Unit V-536906. Docket Number VGOB 23-0919-4271.

The docket item was approved. Escrowing required.

11. A petition from EnerVest Operating, LLC, for a Well Location Exception, located in the Pound Quad, Wise County, Virginia. Unit V-536907. Docket Number VGOB 23-0919-4272.

The docket item was approved.

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

Staff notified the Board that there were no applications submitted for the October hearing. There will be no October 2023 Virginia Gas and Oil Board meeting.

13. The Board reviewed the July 2023 minutes for approval.

The docket item was approved.

The hearing adjourned at 11:43 a.m.