

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL  
STATE OF WYOMING**

**FILED**

**In the Matter of the Bond Forfeiture of )  
High Plains Gas, LLC, Bond No. )  
LPM9050903 )**

**DOCKET NO. 14-3501 JUL 16 2014**

Jim Ruby, Executive Secretary  
Environmental Quality Council

**ORDER**

On July 16, 2014 the parties appeared for a scheduling conference at 9:00 a.m. in the Board of Equalization's conference room, Herschler Building, Room 1722, Cheyenne, Wyoming. Appearing on behalf of High Plains was Mary Throne. Appearing on behalf of Fidelity was David Slaughter and appearing on behalf of DEQ was Jeremy Gross. Also present was Jim Ruby, EQC Executive Secretary and Joe Girardin, EQC paralegal.

The Parties requested a continuance of the scheduling conference. Ms. Throne indicated that the parties were working on a settlement and that the Oil and Gas Commission had given High Plains 120 days to resolve their bonding issue with the Commission. Jeremy Gross informed the Council that Bill DiRenzo of the Water Quality Division of the DEQ had worked out a compliance plan for High Plains and the parties needed to meet to try and finalize the plan. Based upon the information provided by the parties the scheduling conference is continued until November 17, 2014 at 1:30 P.M.. The parties have until November 17, 2014 to either settle this matter or to appear on November 17, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. either in person or by telephone at the Board of Equalization's conference room, Herschler Building, Room 1722, Cheyenne, Wyoming to set a time and date for the trial in this matter.

The Parties shall provide the EQC office with a direct telephone number and an email address where they can be reached for the pre-hearing on or before November 14 at 12:00 p.m. (noon). Failure to appear at the pre-hearing conference will result in dismissal from this case.

The conference will be transcribed by a court reporter unless all parties waive the use of a court reporter. If you are willing to waive the use of a court reporter please let the Council know by November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 12:00 p.m.(noon).

DATED this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014.

  
Andy Schwartz, Hearing Officer  
Environmental Quality Council *AS*

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Tyffanne Mobley, certify that at Cheyenne, Wyoming, on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014, I served a copy of the foregoing **ORDER** by electronic mail to the following:

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