

**IN THE SUPREME COURT  
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**

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Blue Steel Oil and Gas, LLC,

Appellant,

v.

North Dakota Industrial Commission,  
Slawson Exploration Company, Inc., and  
White Butte Oil Operations, LLC,

Appellees.

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Supreme Court No. 20220359

Appeal from Order on Administrative Appeal,  
Case No. 27-2022-CV-00305  
County of McKenzie, Northwest Judicial District  
The Honorable Robin A. Schmidt, District Judge, Presiding

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**APPELLEES SLAWSON EXPLORATION COMPANY, INC. AND  
WHITE BUTTE OIL OPERATIONS, LLC'S NOTICE OF INTENT  
TO PARTICIPATE IN ORAL ARGUMENT**

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Appellees Slawson Exploration Company, Inc. and White Butte Oil Operations, LLC ("Appellees") hereby give notice in compliance with Rule 34(a)(3) of the North Dakota Rules of Appellate Procedure that they intend to participate in the oral argument for the above-captioned case, currently scheduled to commence at 9:30 AM on April 13, 2023. Lawrence Bender will appear in person on behalf of Appellees but will not be presenting argument. Assistant Attorney General Steven B. Nelson, counsel for Appellee North Dakota Industrial Commission, will be presenting argument during the time allotted to appellees under N.D.App.P. 34(b).

Dated this 24th day of March, 2023.

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By: */s/ Lawrence Bender*

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  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH     )

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that on March 24, 2023, I electronically filed and served Appellees Slawson Exploration Company, Inc. and White Butte Oil Operations, LLC's Notice of Intent to Participate in Oral Argument with the Clerk of the North Dakota Supreme Court and served by E-mail on the following:

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