

**STATE OF LOUISIANA
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW**

**LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF
ENERGY AND NATURAL
RESOURCES**

*** DOCKET NO. 2025-11681-DENR-OOC**

IN THE MATTER OF

**PAUL M. LEVERT *ET AL.* v.
CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., AND KEY
PRODUCTION COMPANY, INC.**

ORDER SCHEDULING COMMISSIONER’S CONFERENCE

Pursuant to the request of the Louisiana Department of Energy and Natural Resources, Office of Conservation (DENR), the Division of Administrative Law shall administer a public hearing, in the above matter, in accordance with the Louisiana Revised Statutes (La. R.S.) 30:29; Louisiana Administrative Code (LAC) 43:XIX.601 et seq.; and Louisiana Code of Civil Procedure Art. 1563.

Under LAC 43:XIX.607, a Commissioner’s Conference shall be conducted by the undersigned to coordinate the hearing schedule, hearing deadlines, release of technical data, hearing notices, filing of all plans, witness and exhibit lists, and any other preliminary matters that are necessary and appropriate.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that a Commissioner’s Conference is scheduled to be held by telephone on **June 30, 2025, at 2:00 p.m.** Instructions for participating in the telephone conference are attached.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties are to designate representatives who should be prepared to discuss the following items during the Commissioner’s Conference:

1. Scheduling the hearing date(s) and start time(s). (DENR has proposed the week of **August 11, 2025, through August 15, 2025**);
2. Scheduling an in-person hearing or a Zoom Video Conference hearing;

3. Planned hearing schedule (parties need to be prepared to discuss accurate time requirements for their presentation);
4. The deadline for issuance and exchange of Will Call Witness Lists, including anticipated testimony;
5. The deadline for issuance and exchange of Exhibit Lists and Exchange of Exhibits;
6. Release and Transfer of Technical Data;
7. Anticipated number of attendees (parties need to provide an estimate of number of planned attendees at any one time during the hearing);
8. Technology Required (technology that parties are bringing and/or need);
9. Court reporter status;
10. Motions outstanding and/or deadlines;
11. Status of Pre-Hearing and Post-Hearing Briefs;
12. Procedure for the submission of records into evidence; and
13. Any other relevant issues.

Rendered and signed June 17, 2025, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

NOTICE OF TRANSMISSION OF DECISION OR ORDER

I certify that on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, I have sent a copy of this decision/order to all parties of this matter.

Clerk of Court

Division of Administrative Law

Charles Perrault

Charles Perrault
Administrative Law Judge
Division of Administrative Law

DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW
Telephone Conference Instructions
Read and follow the instructions below carefully.

This information is only for Docket # 2025-11681-DENR. Do not use the dial-in number and passcode for any other case. After the telephone hearing, the dial-in number and passcode are no longer useful. If you have any problems using the dial-in number and passcode, please call (225) 342-1800.

1. Dial **1-888-350-3845**.

2. The recording that you will hear depends on whether the judge has joined the call yet.

- **If the judge has NOT joined the call, you will hear:**

“Welcome to Zoom. If you are the meeting host, please enter your host key followed by pound. If you are a participant, please press pound to continue.”

Do This: Press the # key on the phone.

- You will then hear this: *“The meeting has not started. Please wait or try again later.”*

Do This: Wait for the judge to join the call. When the judge joins, you will hear:

“Please enter the meeting password followed by #.”

Do This: Enter **9194** then press the # key on the phone.

- **If the judge HAS joined the call, you will hear:**

“Welcome to Zoom. Please enter the meeting password followed by #.”

Do This: Enter **9194** then press the # key on the phone.

3. After you have entered the passcode, you will hear this:

“After the tone, please record your name. When you have finished recording press pound.”

Do This: Say your name and then press #. [You **MUST** say your name after the tone.]

4. You will then hear this recording:

“You are in the meeting now. There is () other participant in the meeting. You have been added to the waiting room. You cannot talk or listen until the host admits you to the meeting.”

If you have difficulty joining the hearing, or if the judge has not joined after 10 minutes, immediately contact DAL at (225) 342-1800 for further instructions.

Telephone Conference Tips

1. If at any time you think you cannot be heard by the judge, hang up and follow the same instructions to call back.
2. The “host” is the administrative law judge.
3. The appellant, respondent, his/her attorney (if s/he has one), and any witnesses are the “participants.”
4. Speak naturally and say your name each time before you begin speaking.
5. Pause for others to speak. **DO NOT INTERRUPT OTHERS.**
6. Spell out unusual terms, names, and numbers.
7. Do not rustle pages or make distracting noises; everyone can hear it.
8. Avoid putting your phone on hold. Phone systems with music-on-hold will disrupt the teleconference service.
9. At the end of the hearing, the judge will let you know when you can hang up.