

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

**APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING LLC
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

CASE NO. _____

APPLICATION

COG Operating LLC (“Applicant”) (OGRID No. 229137), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a standard 480-acre, more or less, horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 of Section 20, and the NE/4 of Section 29, Township 25 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico. In support of its application, COG states:

1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the proposed horizontal spacing unit and has the right to drill thereon.

2. Applicant seeks to dedicate the above-referenced horizontal spacing unit to the following proposed wells:

- The **Green Beret Federal Com #701H well**, to be drilled from a surface hole location in NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 20 to a bottom hole location in the SE/4 NE/4 (Unit H) of Section 29; and
- The **Green Beret Federal Com #702H well** and the **Green Beret Federal Com #801H well**, both of which will be drilled from a common surface hole location in the NW/4 NE/4 (Unit B) of Section 20 to bottom hole locations in the SW/4 NE/4 (Unit G) of Section 29.

3. The completed interval for the proposed **Green Beret Federal Com #701H well** will remain within 330 feet of the quarter-quarter line separating the E/2 E/2 from the W/2 E/2 of Section 20, and the E/2 NE/4 from the W/2 NE/4 of Section 29, to allow inclusion of these proximity tracts in a standard 480-acre horizontal well spacing unit.

4. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the development of these lands from all the interest owners in the subject spacing unit.

5. The pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste, and will protect correlative rights.

6. In order to permit Applicant to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, all uncommitted interests in this horizontal spacing unit should be pooled and Applicant should be designated the operator of the proposed horizontal well spacing unit.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on May 14, 2020, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted interests in the horizontal spacing unit;
- B. Approving the initial wells in the horizontal spacing unit;
- C. Designating Applicant as the operator of this spacing unit and the horizontal wells to be drilled thereon;
- D. Authorizing Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equipping, and completing the wells;
- E. Approving the actual operating charges and costs of supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures; and

- F. Imposing a 200% charge for the risk assumed by Applicant in drilling and completing the wells against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of the wells.

Respectfully submitted,

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