

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

**APPLICATION OF CHEVRON U.S.A.  
INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,  
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO.** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION**

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. ("Chevron" or "Applicant") (OGRID No. 4323), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of N.M.S.A. 1978, § 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a standard 480-acre horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 of Section 23 and the SE/4 of Section 14, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. In support of its application, Chevron 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 **CB BERU 23 14 FEE 06 #401H Well** to be horizontally drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 23 to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 NE/4 (Unit G) of Section 14; and
  - The **CB BERU 23 14 FEE 06 #402H Well** and the **CB BERU 23 14 FEE 06 #403H Well**, both are to be horizontally drilled from surface hole locations in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 23 to bottom hole locations in the SE/4 NE/4 (Unit H) of Section 14.

3. Pursuant to the Special Rules for the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp (Gas) Pool (Pool Code 98220), the completed interval for each of these proposed initial wells will comply with the 330-foot setback requirement.

4. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the development of these lands from all the working 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 these proposed horizontal wells and spacing unit.


WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on June 11, 2020, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the proposed spacing unit;
- B. Approving the initial wells in the horizontal well spacing unit;
- C. Designating Applicant as operator of the horizontal 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 while drilling and after completion, 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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