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

APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case	No.		

APPLICATION

Pursuant to NMSA § 70-2-17, Mewbourne Oil Company ("Mewbourne" or "Applicant") applies for an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a 240.45-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of Lots 1 and 2 (N/2 NE/4 equivalent) of Section 6 and Lots 1 through 4 (N/2 N/2 equivalent) of Section 5, Township 18 South, Range 32 East in Lea County, New Mexico. In support of its application, Mewbourne states the following.

- 1. Mewbourne (OGRID No. 14744) is a working interest owner in the proposed horizontal spacing unit and has the right to drill thereon.
- 2. The horizontal spacing unit will be dedicated to the Winterfell 6/5 B2BA Fed Com #1H well ("Well"), which will be horizontally drilled from a surface hole location in Lot 2 (NW/4 NE/4) of Section 6 to a bottom hole location in Lot 1 (NE/4 NE/4) of Section 5.
 - 3. The completed interval of the well will be orthodox.
- 4. Applicant has undertaken diligent, good-faith efforts to obtain voluntary agreements from all interest owners to participate in the drilling of the Well but has been unable to obtain voluntary agreements from all interest owners.
- 5. The pooling of uncommitted interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.
 - 6. In order to allow Applicant to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying

the subject lands, all uncommitted mineral interests in the Unit should be pooled and Applicant should be designated the operator of the Well and Unit.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests this application be set for hearing on January 5, 2023, and that, after notice and hearing, the Division enter an order:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted interests in the Unit;
- B. Approving the Well in the Unit;
- C. Designating Applicant as operator of the Unit and the Well to be drilled thereon;
- D. Authorizing Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the
 Well;
- 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% penalty for the risk assumed by Applicant in drilling and completing the Well against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of the Well.

Respectfully submitted,

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