

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

**APPLICATION OF RIDGE RUNNER
RESOURCES OPERATING, LLC
TO POOL ADDITIONAL INTERESTS
UNDER ORDER NO. R-21609,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. _____
ORDER NO. R-21609**

APPLICATION

Pursuant to NMSA § 70-2-17, Ridge Runner Resources Operating, LLC (“Applicant”) (OGRID No. 373013) files this application with the Oil Conservation Division (“Division”) for the limited purpose of pooling additional uncommitted interests under the terms of Division Order No. R-21609. Applicant states the following in support of its application.

1. On February 23, 2021, the Division entered Order No. R-21609 (“Order”) in Case No. 21635, which pooled uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2 W/2 of Sections 2 and 11, Township 20 South, Range 35 East, Lea County (“Unit”). The Order further dedicated the Unit to the Zeus 2-11 Fed Com #1H well (“Well”) and designated Applicant as operator of the Unit and Well.

2. On April 13, 2023, the Division entered Order No. R-21609-C in Case No. 23280 granting an extension to drill the Well within the Unit until February 23, 2024.

3. Since the Order was entered, Applicant has identified additional interests in the Unit that have not been pooled under the terms of the Order.

4. Applicant has undertaken diligent, good-faith efforts to obtain voluntary agreements from the additional interest owners but has been unable to obtain voluntary agreements from the owners.

5. In order to allow Applicant to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, the additional interests should be pooled into the Unit pursuant to the terms of the Order.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Division on August 3, 2023, and, after notice and hearing, the Division pool the additional uncommitted interests into the Unit pursuant to the terms of Division Order No. R-21609.

Respectfully submitted,

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