

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

**APPLICATION OF COLGATE OPERATING,
LLC TO EXTEND TIME TO COMMENCE
DRILLING OPERATIONS,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. _____
ORDER NO. R-22323**

APPLICATION

Colgate Operating, LLC (“Applicant”) (OGRID No. 371449) files this application with the Oil Conservation Division (“Division”) requesting a one-year extension of time to commence drilling the wells authorized by Order No. R-22323 (“Order”). In support of its application, Applicant states the following.

1. The Division entered the Order in Case No. 22865 on October 20, 2022.
2. The Order pooled all uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring and Harkey formations underlying a 320-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Sections 17 and 20, Township 20 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico (“Unit”) and dedicated the Unit to the Robin Federal Com 114H, Robin Federal Com 127H, Robin Federal Com 128H, Robin Federal Com 174H, and Robin Federal Com 134H wells (“Wells”).
3. The Order designated Applicant as operator of the Unit and Wells.
4. Paragraph 19 of the Order requires Applicant to commence drilling the Wells within one (1) year of the date of the Order unless Applicant obtains a time extension from the Division Director for good cause shown.
5. Applicant’s ability to commence drilling the Wells has been impacted by limited rig availability, supply chain delays, and delays due to the merger of Colgate and Centennial Resources.

6. Accordingly, Applicant requests that the Division extend the deadline to commence drilling the Wells until October 20, 2024.

7. Good cause exists for the requested extension.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests this application be set for hearing on August 3, 2023, and after notice and hearing, the Division extend the deadline to commence drilling the Wells under the Order until October 20, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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