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

# APPLICATION OF XTO DELAWARE BASIN, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

### CASE NO. 23777

# **XTO'S PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

XTO Delaware Basin, LLC ("XTO" or "Applicant"), the applicant in the above-referenced

**ATTORNEY** 

matter, submits this Pre-Hearing Statement pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

## **APPEARANCES**

## APPLICANT

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#### **APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF THE CASE**

Under **Case No. 23777**, XTO seeks an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Wolfcamp formation (SAND DUNES; WOLFCAMP [96991]) underlying a 799.90-acre horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2 equivalent of irregular Section 5, the W/2 of Section 8, and the NW/4 of Section 17, Township 23 South, Range 31 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. The spacing unit will be dedicated to the following proposed initial wells:

• JRU DI 7 Sawtooth Fed Com 117H well, to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 NE/4 equivalent (Lot 1) of irregular Section 6, with a first take point in the NW/4 NW/4 equivalent (Lot 4) of irregular Section 5 and a last take point in the SW/4 NW/4 (Unit E) of Section 17; and

JRU DI 7 Sawtooth Fed Com 112H and JRU DI 7 Sawtooth Fed Com 113H wells, to be horizontally drilled from surface locations in the NE/4 NE/4 equivalent (Lot 1) of irregular Section 6, with first take points in the NE/4 NW/4 equivalent (Lot 3) of irregular Section 5 and last take points in the SE/4 NW/4 (Unit F) of Section 17.

The completed interval for the **JRU DI 7 Sawtooth Fed Com 112H** is expected to remain within 330 feet of the offsetting quarter-quarter sections or equivalent tracts to allow inclusion of these tracts in a standard horizontal well spacing unit pursuant to NMAC 19.15.16.15.B.

The completed interval for each of the wells will comply with the statewide setbacks for oil wells. XTO has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the development of these lands from all working interest owners in the subject acreage.

#### APPLICANT'S PROPOSED EVIDENCE

WITNESS Name and Expertise	ESTIMATED TIME	EXHIBITS
Joshua Prasatik, Landman	Self-Affirmed Statement	Approx. 7
Aaron Bazzell, Geologist	Self-Affirmed Statement	Approx. 5

#### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

XTO intends to present this case by self-affirmed statement if there is no opposition at the time of hearing.

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Respectfully submitted,

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