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

APPLICATION OF STEWARD ENERGY II, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING AND APPROVAL OF OVERLAPPING SPACING UNIT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

**CASE NO. 24496** 

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# **COMPULSORY POOLING APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

## ALL INFORMATION IN THE APPLICATION MUST BE SUPPORTED BY SIGNED AFFIDAVITS

Case: 24496	APPLICANT'S RESPONSE		
Date 6/13/24			
Applicant	Steward Energy II, LLC		
Designated Operator & OGRID (affiliation if applicable)	OGRID No. 371682		
Applicant's Counsel:	Hinkle Shanor LLP		
Case Title:	Application of Steward Energy II, LLC for Compulsory Pooling and Approval of Overlapping Spacing Unit, Lea County, New Mexico.		
Entries of Appearance/Intervenors:	None.		
Well Family	Gale-Fring		
Formation/Pool			
Formation Name(s) or Vertical Extent:	San Andres Formation		
Primary Product (Oil or Gas):	Oil		
Pooling this vertical extent:	San Andres Formation		
Pool Name and Pool Code (Only if NSP is requested):	Bronco; San Andres, South Pool (Code 7500)		
Well Location Setback Rules (Only if NSP is Requested):	Statewide		
Spacing Unit			
Type (Horizontal/Vertical)	Horizontal		
Size (Acres)	320 acres		
Building Blocks:	quarter-quarter		
Orientation:	North to South		
Description: TRS/County	W/2 E/2 of irregular Sections 11 and 14, Township 13 South, Range 38 East, Lea County		
Standard Horizontal Well Spacing Unit (Y/N), If No, describe and is approval of non-standard unit requested in this application?	Yes.		
Other Situations			
Depth Severance: Y/N. If yes, description	N/A		
Proximity Tracts: If yes, description	N/A		
Proximity Defining Well: if yes, description	N/A		
Applicant's Ownership in Each Tract	Exhibit A-3		
Well(s)			
Name & API (if assigned), surface and bottom hole location, footages, completion target, orientation, completion status (standard or non-standard)	Add wells as needed		
Well #1	Gale-Fring Federal #3H (API # pending) SHL: 1068' FSL & 1126' FEL (Unit O), Section 2, T13S-R38E BHL: 100' FSL & 1726' FEL (Unit O), Section 14, T13S-R38E Completion Target: San Andres (Approx. 5,361' TVD)		
AFE Capex and Operating Costs			
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Cross Section (including Landing Zone)	Exhibit B-3				
Additional Information					
Special Provisions/Stipulations	N/A				
CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the information provided in this checklist is complete and accurate.					
Printed Name (Attorney or Party Representative): Dana S. Hardy					
Signed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	/s/ Dana S. Hardy				
Date:	6/6/2024				

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### SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF TAYLOR WARREN

- 1. I am a Vice-President of Land with Steward Energy II, LLC ("Steward"). I am over the age of 18, have personal knowledge of the matters addressed herein, and am competent to provide this Self-Affirmed Statement, I have previously testified before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") and my credentials as an expert in petroleum land matters were accepted and made a matter of record.
- 2. I am familiar with the land matters involved in the above-referenced case. Copies of Steward's Application and proposed hearing notice are attached as **Exhibit A-1**.
- 3. None of the parties proposed to be pooled in this case indicated opposition to this matter proceeding by affidavit, therefore I do not expect any opposition at hearing.
- 4. Steward seeks an order pooling all uncommitted interests in Bronco; San Andres, South Pool (Code 7500) within the San Andres formation underlying a 320-acre, more or less, standard, overlapping horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2 E/2 of irregular Sections 11 and 14, Township 13 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit").
- 5. The Unit will be dedicated to the **Gale-Fring Federal 3H** well ("Well"), which will be drilled from a surface hole location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 2 to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 14.
  - 6. The completed interval of the Well will be orthodox.

Steward Energy II, LLC Case No. 24496 Exhibit A

- 7. The Unit will partially overlap with the spacing unit for the Gale Federal #2H well (API #30-025-52292), which is located in the E/2 of irregular Section 11, Township 13 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, and produces from the Bronco; San Andres, South Pool (Code 7500).
- 8. The Unit will also partially overlap with the spacing unit for the Fring Federal #2H well (API #30-025-50202), which is located in the W/2 E/2 and Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 of irregular Section 14, Township 13 South, Range 38 East, Lea County and produces from the Bronco; San Andres, South Pool (Code 7500).
  - 9. **Exhibit A-2** contains the C-102 for the Well.
- 10. **Exhibit A-3** contains a plat identifying ownership by tract in the Unit. This exhibit also includes any applicable lease numbers, a unit recapitulation, and the interests Steward seeks to pool highlighted in yellow. Exhibit A-3 also identifies the overlapping spacing units.
- 11. Steward located an address for each party it seeks to pool, but it is unclear whether each address is valid since some of the hearing notice letters were returned as undeliverable. As discussed below, Steward conducted extensive research to locate the parties it seeks to pool.
- 12. With respect to Steward's efforts to locate parties, Steward conducted a diligent search of all relevant county public records, phone directors and computer databases a landman in the normal course of business would search. Over the course of several years since leasing activity began, the lease broker, Shaw Interests, Inc., and our in-house Landman, Cooper Newlan, each conducted their own diligent searches, and worked in conjunction, to locate unlocatable parties. Each used https://www.google.com/ to obtain as many details as possible prior to conducting searching on websites that included the following:

https://accurint.com/ (a Lexis-Nexis paid subscription search service)
https://www.ancestry.com/

https://www.familysearch.org/en/

https://www.findagrave.com/

https://www.legacy.com/

https://www.newspapers.com/

https://www.whitepages.com/

13. Shaw Interests, Inc. sent correspondence and lease offer packages to confirmed and prospective addresses. Additionally, telephone calls were made in an attempt to reach the relatives/heirs.

14. **Exhibit A-4** contains a sample well proposal letter and AFE sent to working interest owners for the Well. The estimated costs reflected on the AFE are fair and reasonable and comparable to the cost of other wells of similar depth and length drilled in the subject formation in the area.

15. In my opinion, Steward made a good-faith effort to reach voluntary joinder of uncommitted interests in the Well as indicated by the chronology of contact described in **Exhibit A-5**.

16. Steward requests overhead and administrative rates of \$7,000.00 per month while the Well is being drilled and \$700.00 per month while the Well is producing. These rates are fair and are comparable to the rated charged by Steward and other operators in the vicinity.

- 17. The attached exhibits were either prepared by me or under my supervision or were compiled from company business records.
- 18. In my opinion, the granting of Steward's application would serve the interests of conservation, the protection of correlative rights, and the prevention of waste.

19. I understand this Self-Affirmed Statement will be used as written testimony in this case. I affirm that my testimony above is true and correct and is made under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New Mexico. My testimony is made as of the date handwritten next to my signature below.

Taylor Warren

June 3, 2024

Date

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**CASE NO. 24496** 

#### **APPLICATION**

In accordance with NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17 and NMAC 19.15.16.15(B)(9), Steward Energy II, LLC ("Steward" or "Applicant"), through its undersigned attorneys, files this application with the Oil Conservation Division ("Division") seeking an order: (1) establishing a 320-acre, more or less, standard, overlapping horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2 E/2 of irregular Sections 11 and 14, Township 13 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"); and (2) pooling all uncommitted interests in the San Andres formation underlying the Unit. In support of this application, Steward states the following.

- 1. Applicant (OGRID No. 371682) is a working interest owner in the Unit and has the right to drill thereon.
- 2. Applicant seeks to dedicate the Unit to the **Gale-Fring Federal 3H** well ("Well"), which will be drilled from a surface hole location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 2 to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 14.
  - 3. The completed interval of the Well will be orthodox.
- 4. The Unit will partially overlap with the spacing unit for the Gale Federal #002H well (API #30-025-52292), which is located in the E/2 of irregular Section 11, Township 13 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, and produces from the Bronco; San Andres, South Pool (Code 7500).

Steward Energy II, LLC Case No. 24496 Exhibit A-1

- 5. The Unit will also partially overlap with the spacing unit for the Fring Federal #2H well (API #30-025-50202), which is located in the W/2 E/2 and Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 of irregular Section 14, Township 13 South, Range 38 East, Lea County and produces from the Bronco; San Andres, South Pool (Code 7500).
- 6. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the development of these lands from all of the interest owners in the Unit.
- 7. The pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.
- 8. 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 the Unit should be pooled and Applicant should be designated the operator of the proposed horizontal well and the Unit.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on June 13, 2024, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

- A. Approving the proposed overlapping spacing unit;
- B. Pooling all uncommitted interests in the Unit;
- C. Approving the initial well in the Unit;
- D. Designating Applicant as the operator of the Unit and the horizontal well to be drilled thereon;
- E. Authorizing Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equipping, and completing the well;
- F. Approving the actual operating charges and costs of supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures; and

G. Imposing a 200% charge 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,

HINKLE SHANOR LLP

/s/ Dana S. Hardy

Dana S. Hardy Jaclyn M. McLean P.O. Box 2068 Santa Fe, NM 87504-2068 Phone: (505) 982-4554

Facsimile: (505) 98208623 dhardy@hinklelawfirm.com jmclean@hinklelawfirm.com

Counsel for Steward Energy II, LLC

Application of Steward Energy II, LLC for Compulsory Pooling and Approval of Overlapping Spacing Unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Steward Energy II, LLC ("Applicant") seeks an order: (1) establishing a 320-acre, more or less, standard, overlapping horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2 E/2 of irregular Sections 11 and 14, Township 13 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"); and (2) pooling all uncommitted interests in the San Andres formation underlying the Unit. Applicant seeks to dedicate the Unit to the Gale-Fring Federal 3H well ("Well"), which will be drilled from a surface hole location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 2 to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 14. The completed interval of the Well will be orthodox. The Unit will partially overlap with the spacing units for the Gale Federal #002H well (API #30-025-52292) and the Fring Federal #2H well (API #30-025-50202). Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the Well and the allocation of the costs, the designation of Applicant as operator of the Well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the Well. The Well is located approximately 14.8 miles southeast of Tatum, New Mexico.

District Office

1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240 Phone: (575) 393-6161 Fax: (575) 393-0720 District II 811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210 748-1283 Fax: (575) 748-9720

District III 1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410 Phone: (505) 334-6178 Fax: (505) 334-6170 District IV

Phone: (505) 476-3460 Fax: (505) 476-3462

UL or lot no

State of New Mexico Exhibit A-2 Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-102 Revised August 1, 2011 Submit one copy to appropriate

☐ AMENDED REPORT

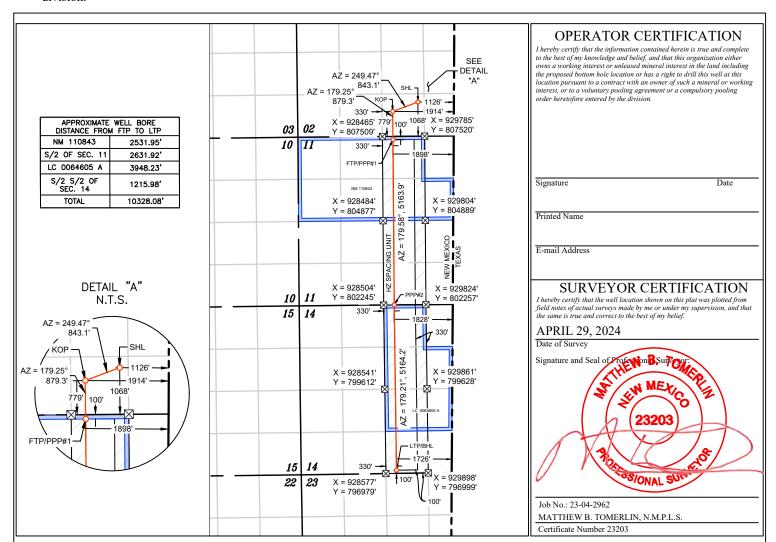
#### WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number		Pool Code Pool Name		
		7500	Bronco; San Andres, South Pool	
Property Code		Property Name GALE-FRING FEDERAL		Well Number #3H
OGRID No. 371682	Operator Name STEWARD ENERGY II, LLC		Elevation 3804'	
Surface Location				

Feet from the

Range 02 13 S 38 E 1068 SOUTH **EAST** LEA 0 1126 Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface Range East/West line County UL or lot no Township 14 13 S 38 E SOUTH 0 1726 **EAST** LEA Joint or Infill Dedicated Acres Order No. olidation Code 320.00

No allowable will be assigned to this completion until all interests have been consolidated or a non-standard unit has been approved by the





NAD 83 (KOP) 779' FSL & 1914' FEL
LATITUDE = 33.215505°
LONGITUDE = -103.066502°
NAD 27 (KOP)
LATITUDE = 33.215398°
LONGITUDE = -103.066003°
STATE PLANE NAD 83 (N.M. EAST)
N: 808290.88' E: 928784.01'
STATE PLANE NAD 27 (N.M. EAST)
N: 808227.99' E: 887608.12'

NAD 83 (FTP/PPP#1) 100' FNL & 1898' FEL
LATITUDE = 33.213089°
LONGITUDE = -103.066499°
NAD 27 (FTP/PPP#1)
LATITUDE = 33.212982°
LONGITUDE = -103.066000°
STATE PLANE NAD 83 (N.M. EAST)
N: 807411.62' E: 928795.59'
STATE PLANE NAD 27 (N.M. EAST)
N: 807348.76' E: 887619.70'

# ALL COORDINATES, BEARINGS, AND DISTANCES CONTAINED HEREIN ARE GRID, BASED UPON THE NEW MEXICO STATE PLANE COORDINATES SYSTEM, NORTH AMERICAN DATUM 83, NEW MEXICO EAST (3001), NAVD 88.

2. THIS DOCUMENT IS BASED UPON AN ON THE GROUND SURVEY PERFORMED DURING APRIL, 2024. CERTIFICATION OF THIS DOCUMENT IS ONLY TO THE LOCATION OF THIS EASEMENT IN RELATION TO RECORDED MONUMENT OF DEEDS PROVIDED BY THE CLIENT.

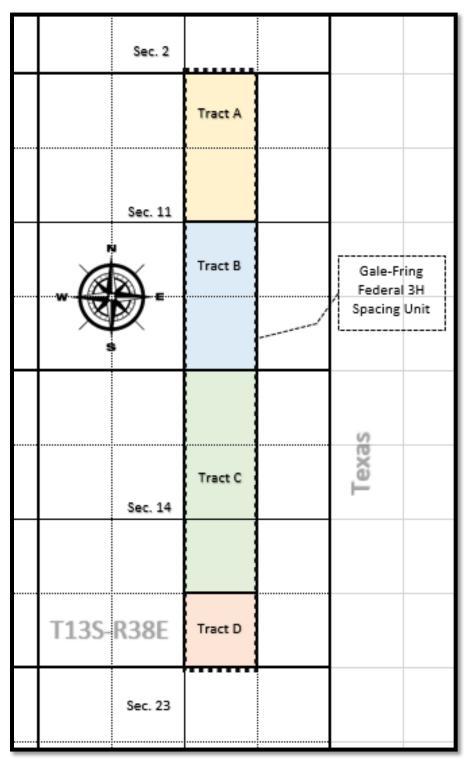
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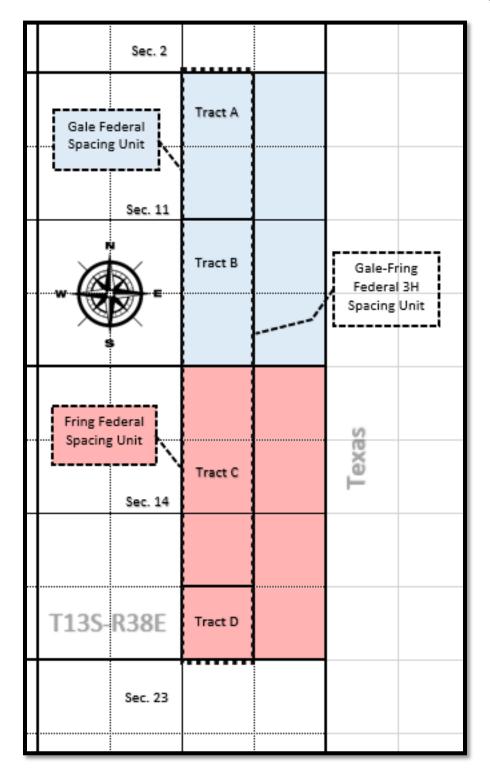
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Gale-Fring Federal 3H W/2E/2 of Section 11 and Section 14, T13S-R38E, N.M.P.M Lea Co., NM



Steward Energy II, LLC Case No. 24496 Exhibit A-3

Gale-Fring Federal 3H W/2E/2 of Section 11 and Section 14, T13S-R38E, N.M.P.M Lea Co., NM



<u>Tract A - (W/2NE/4 of Section 11, T13S-R38E, being 80.00 Acres)</u>

Steward Energy II, LLC WI 87.145375%

<u>Tract B - (W/2SE/4 of Section 11, T13S-R38E, being 80.00 Acres)</u>

Steward Energy II, LLC WI 90.196078%

<u>Tract C - (NW/4NE/4, SW/4NE/4, and NW/4SE/4, of Section 14, T14S-R38E, being 120.00 Acres)</u>

Steward Energy II, LLC WI 95.898461%

<u>Tract D - (SW/4SE/4 of Section 14, T14S-R38E, being 40.00 Acres)</u>

Steward Energy II, LLC WI 95.898461%

## Tract A

(W/2NE/4 of Section 11, T13S-R38E, being 80.00 Acres)

## **Committed**

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Type</u>	WI Ownership	<u>Status</u>
Steward Energy II, LLC	WI	87.145375%	Committed - JOA Executed
	Totals:	87.145375%	

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Type</u>	WI Ownership	<u>Status</u>
Slash Exploration Limited Partnership	WI	12.854625%	Uncommitted
Armstrong Energy Corporation	ORRI	0.000000%	Committed - Nature of Interest
Chimney Rock Oil & Gas LLC	ORRI	0.000000%	Committed - Nature of Interest
Gunsight Limited Partnership	ORRI	0.000000%	Committed - Nature of Interest
Rio Potomac Investments, LLC	ORRI	<mark>0.000000%</mark>	Committed - Nature of Interest
	Totals:	12.854625%	
	Grand Totals:	100.000000%	

## Tract B

## (W/2SE/4 of Section 11, T13S-R38E, being 80.00 Acres)

## **Committed**

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Type</u>	WI Ownership	<u>Status</u>
Steward Energy II, LLC	WI	90.196078%	Committed - JOA Executed
	Totals:	90.196078%	

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Type</u>	WI Ownership	<u>Status</u>
Paula Francis Edwards	WI	9.803922%	Uncommitted
	Totals:	9.803922%	
	Grand Totals:	100.000000%	

**Tract C** 

## (NW/4NE/4, SW/4NE/4, and NW/4SE/4, of Section 14, T14S-R38E, being 120.00 Acres)

## **Committed**

<u>Owner</u>	Type	WI Ownership	<u>Status</u>
Steward Energy II, LLC	WI	95.898461%	Committed - JOA Executed
	Totals:	95.898461%	

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Type</u>	WI Ownership	<u>Status</u>
G&M Oil, LLC	WI	0.098461%	Committed - JOA Executed
Kennedy Minerals, Ltd.	WI	1.836870%	Committed - JOA Executed
McCarthy Oil & Gas, LLC	<mark>WI</mark>	0.393934%	<b>Uncommitted</b>
Terra Nova Energy, LP	WI	1.772274%	Committed - JOA Executed
Cathy D. Blotter	ORRI	0.000000%	Committed - Nature of Interest
Elyse Saunders Patterson Trusts Investment LLC	ORRI	<mark>0.000000</mark> %	Committed - Nature of Interest
First Roswell Company	ORRI	<mark>0.000000</mark> %	Committed - Nature of Interest
Graham Family Investments, LLC	ORRI	<mark>0.000000</mark> %	Committed - Nature of Interest
Mary Lee S. Reese, LLC	ORRI	<mark>0.000000%</mark>	Committed - Nature of Interest
Rubie Crosby Bell Family LLC	ORRI	<mark>0.000000</mark> %	Committed - Nature of Interest
The Toles Company, LLC	ORRI	<mark>0.000000</mark> %	Committed - Nature of Interest
Wills Royalty, Inc.	ORRI	0.000000%	Committed - Nature of Interest
	Totals:	4.101539%	
	Grand Totals:	100.000000%	

## Tract D

## (SW/4SE/4 of Section 14, T14S-R38E, being 40.00 Acres)

## **Committed**

<u>Owner</u>	Type	WI Ownership	<u>Status</u>
Steward Energy II, LLC	WI	95.898461%	Committed - JOA Executed
	Totals:	95.898461%	

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Type</u>	WI Ownership	<u>Status</u>
G&M Oil, LLC	WI	0.098461%	Committed - JOA Executed
Kennedy Minerals, Ltd.	WI	1.836870%	Committed - JOA Executed
McCarthy Oil & Gas, LLC	WI	<mark>0.393934%</mark>	<b>Uncommitted</b>
Terra Nova Energy, LP	WI	<mark>1.772274%</mark>	Committed - JOA Executed
	Totals:	4.101539%	
	Grand Totals:	100.000000%	

# **Recapitulation**

#### **Committed**

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Type</u>	WI Ownership
Steward Energy II, LLC	WI	92.284594%
	Totals:	92.284594%

Owner	<u>Type</u>	WI Ownership	
Slash Exploration Limited Partnership	WI	<mark>3.213656%</mark>	
Paula Francis Edwards	WI	<mark>2.450980%</mark>	
G&M Oil, LLC	<mark>WI</mark>	<mark>0.049231%</mark>	
Kennedy Minerals, Ltd.	WI	<mark>0.918435%</mark>	
McCarthy Oil & Gas, LLC	WI	<mark>0.196967%</mark>	
Terra Nova Energy, LP	WI	<mark>0.886137%</mark>	
Armstrong Energy Corporation	ORRI	<mark>0.000000%</mark>	
Chimney Rock Oil & Gas LLC	ORRI	<mark>0.000000%</mark>	
<b>Gunsight Limited Partnership</b>	ORRI	<mark>0.00000%</mark>	
Rio Potomac Investments, LLC	ORRI	<mark>0.000000</mark> %	
Cathy D. Blotter	ORRI	<mark>0.000000%</mark>	
Elyse Saunders Patterson Trusts Investment LLC	ORRI	0.000000 <mark>%</mark>	
First Roswell Company	ORRI	<mark>0.000000</mark> %	
Graham Family Investments, LLC	ORRI	<mark>0.000000</mark> %	
Mary Lee S. Reese, LLC	ORRI	<mark>0.000000%</mark>	
Rubie Crosby Bell Family LLC	ORRI	<mark>0.000000</mark> %	
The Toles Company, LLC	ORRI	<mark>0.000000</mark> %	
Wills Royalty, Inc.	ORRI	<mark>0.000000</mark> %	
	Totals:	7.715406%	
	Grand Totals:	100.000000%	



\*\*\*\*\*\*\*VIA CERTIFIED U.S.P.S. MAIL #7021 0950 0000 0550 7076\*\*\*\*\*\*

April 13, 2024

Paula Francis Edwards 3142 Chimney Circle Abilene, TX 79606

Re: Well Proposal - Gale-Fring Federal 3H

W/2E/2 of Section 11 and Section 14,

Township 13 South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Owner,

Steward Energy II, LLC ("Steward") hereby proposes to drill and complete the **Gale-Fring Federal**3H as a horizontal well ("Well"), at the following locations, formation, and depth referenced below, which are subject to change based on final determination:

**SHL:** 1,068' FSL & 1,126' FEL of Sec. 2, T13S-R38E **FTP:** 100' FNL & 1,920' FEL of Sec. 11, T13S-R38E **BHL:** 100' FSL & 1,920' FEL of Section 14, T13S-R38E

Formation: San Andres

**Total Vertical Depth and Measured Depth:** ~ 5,361' / 18,880'

Steward proposes the formation of a Horizontal Spacing Unit ("HSU"), covering the W/2E/2 of Section 11 and Section 14, T13S-R38E, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico, containing 320 acres, more or less. Portions of these lands may be covered by an existing Joint Operating Agreements ("JOAs"), also covering the San Andres formation, and Steward hereby submits for your consideration, a new Joint Operating Agreement, dated April 1, 2024, being a modified AAPL Form 610 – 1989 Model Form Operating Agreement ("NJOA"), to govern proposals and operations within the HSU. The NJOA shall supersede any existing operations under any JOAs. The NJOA has the following general provisions:

Effective Date: April 1, 2024 Operator: Steward Energy II, LLC

Contract Area: 320 acres, more or less, being the W/2E/2 of Section 11 and Section 14,

T13S-R38E, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico

Non-Consent Penalty: 300%

Overhead Rate: \$7,000 / \$700 (drilling / producing monthly)

Steward Energy II, LLC Case No. 24496 Exhibit A-4 Well Proposal Gale-Fring Federal 3H April 13, 2024

<u>Enclosed are documents for your review and execution</u>. Please see detailed Authorization for Expenditure ("AFE"), reflecting estimated costs that will be incurred to drill, complete, and equip the Well associated with this proposal.

<u>If you intend to participate</u>, please execute in the appropriate box on the AFE, and return to the undersigned within 30 days of receipt of this proposal. The AFE represents an estimated cost and is subject to change once the Well is drilled/completed and actual costs are incurred. Parties electing to participate are responsible for their proportionate share of actual costs.

Should you elect to participate in the Well, your execution of the NJOA is required. Please execute in the appropriate line, notarize, and return to the undersigned within 30 days of receipt of this proposal.

Your interest can be found on the AFE and Exhibit A to the proposed NJOA. Please note that this interest is subject to change pending further title verification.

Steward will submit an application for a Compulsory Pooling Order with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division within 30 days of your receipt of this letter. This will allow Steward to move forward with planning and drilling the Wells while allowing time to properly execute a NJOA amongst the parties.

Please note that Steward is open to discuss possible leasing, trades, assignments, etc. of your interest in the subject acreage. Should you be interested or have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the information listed below.

Failure to respond within 30 days shall be deemed an election NOT to participate.

Please send your election and all communication to:

Steward Energy II, LLC Land Department 2600 Dallas Parkway, Suite 400 Frisco, Texas 75034

For questions regarding this well proposal please contact the Land Department via email <a href="mailto:land@stewardenergy.net">land@stewardenergy.net</a> or call (214) 297-0500.

Respectfully,

Cooper Newlan Sr. Landman

Attachments



AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE						
Well Name:	Gale-Fring Fed Com 3H					
Operator:	Steward Energy II LLC			AFE Number:	2404041DR	
Well Type:	Oil	AFE Type:	Development Drlg/Comp	AFE Date:	4/9/2024	
Logali	Legal: W/2E/2 of Section 11 and Section 14, Township 13 South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M.	Prop. Depth:	TVD, MD	County, State:	Lea, NM	
South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M.	Field:	Platang (San Andres)	Prep. By:	Tim Hilton		
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Surface Location: 1,068' FSL & 1,126' FEL of Section 2, T13S, R38E, N.M.P.M.

Bottom Hole Location: 100' FSL & 1,726' FEL of Section 14, T13S, R38E, N.M.P.M.

Project Description: Drilling and completion of a 2 mile San Andres horizontal.

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Account #	Cost Breakdown	Drilling	Dry Hole	Completion Cost	Workover	Total	
8200.100	Land, Surveying & Legal	\$8,000	\$8,000			\$8,000	
8200.101	Abstract, Title & Permit	\$5,000	\$5,000			\$5,000	
8200.102	ROW & Surface Damages	\$20,000	\$20,000			\$20,000	
8200.103	Road, Pad Location & Pit Building	\$58,500	\$58,500			\$58,500	
8200.104	Environ, Reg & Safety	\$2,000	\$2,000			\$2,000	
8200.105	Well Insurance	\$4,200	\$4,200			\$4,200	
8200.113	Contract Labor	\$8,850	\$8,850			\$8,850	
8200.114	Consulting Services & Contract Supervision	\$78,500	\$78,500			\$78,500	
8200.120	Vacuum & Pump Truck	\$3,500	\$3,500			\$3,500	
8200.122	Material Transportation	\$12,400	\$12,400			\$12,400	
8200.126	Fuel	\$73,600	\$73,600			\$73,600	
8200.131	Chemical-Downhole Treating	\$3,160	\$3,160			\$3,160	
8200.132	Mud & Additives	\$58,000	\$58,000			\$58,000	
8200.140	Mob/Demob	\$90,000	\$90,000			\$90,000	
8200.141	Mud Disposal/Pit Closure	\$160,000	\$160,000			\$160,000	
8200.142	Trailer Rental, Camp & Catering	\$35,700	\$35,700			\$35,700	
8200.144	Drilling Rig - Daywork or Footage	\$243,600	\$243,600			\$243,600	
8200.149	Bits, Mills & Reamers	\$34,500	\$34,500			\$34,500	
8200.151	Directional Services	\$138,600	\$138,600			\$138,600	
8200.160	Casing Crews & Services	\$32,700	\$32,700			\$32,700	
8200.161	Cementing Services	\$150,000	\$150,000			\$150,000	
8200.169	Water Transfer	\$8,500				\$8,500	
8200.170	Water Purchase	\$30,000	\$30,000			\$30,000	
8200.175	Surface Equipment Rental & Services	\$180,800	\$180,800			\$180,800	
8200.193	Downhole Inspection/Testing - Casing, Tubing & Rods	\$26,650	\$26,650			\$26,650	
8200.301	Overhead	\$14,000	\$14,000			\$14,000	
	IDC Total:	\$1,472,260	\$1,472,260			\$1,480,760	
8250.200	Conductor/Drive Pipe	\$20,600	\$20,600			\$20,600	
8250.201	Surface Casing	\$66,700	\$66,700			\$66,700	
8250.203	Production Casing	\$486,000	\$486,000			\$486,000	
8250.205	Wellhead Equipment, Flow Tee & Meter Run	\$20,880	\$20,880			\$20,880	
8250.214	Other Downhole Equipment	\$434,854	\$434,854			\$434,854	
	TDC Total:	\$1,029,034	\$1,029,034			\$1,029,034	
	Development Drlg/Comp Total:	\$2,501,294	\$2,501,294			\$2,509,794	
8300.110	Company Labor					\$48,000	
8300.114	Consulting Services & Contract Supervision					\$48,000	
8300.120	Vacuum & Pump Truck					\$34,000	
8300.122	Material Transportation					\$33,000	
8300.126	Fuel					\$6,500	

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8300.131	Chemicals - Downhole Treating					\$4,500
8300.133	Completion Fluid					\$40,000
8300.135	Flowback Disposal					\$315,000
8300.142	Trailer Rental, Camp & Catering					\$6,500
8300.143	Well Control - BOP, Isolation Assy					\$107,000
8300.146	Completion/Workover Rig					\$88,450
8300.148	Reverse Unit					\$35,000
8300.149	Bits, Mills & Reamers					\$3,500
8300.169	Water Transfer	\$96,000				\$96,000
8300.170	Water Purchase					\$250,250
8300.171	Stimulation - Frac, Acid, Gravel Pack					\$2,368,000
8300.175	Surface Equipment Rental & Services					\$94,000
8300.176	Downhole Equipment Rental & Services					\$89,000
8300.179	Elect & Generator R&M					\$27,500
	ICC Total:					\$3,694,200
8350.205	Wellhead Equipment, Flow Tee & Meter Run	\$20,000				\$20,000
8350.206	Tubing					\$38,000
8350.211	Electric Submersible Pumps					\$300,500
8350.221	Surface VSD, Transformer, POC & Associated Equipment					\$32,000
8350.234	Surface Pump & LACT's					\$1,500
	TCC Total:					\$392,000
8600.100	Land, Surveying, & Legal	\$1,000				\$1,000
8600.102	ROW & Surface Damages	\$26,000				\$26,000
8600.111	Company Supervision	\$4,500				\$4,500
8600.120	Vaccum & Pump Truck	\$7,500				\$7,500
8600.122	Material Transportation	\$1,800				\$1,800
8600.175	Surface Equipment Rental & Services	\$1,500				\$1,500
	IFC Total:					\$42,300
8650.222	Instrumentation & Meters	\$75,000				\$75,000
8650.223	SCADA & Communications	\$5,000				\$5,000
8650.224	Electrial Installation & Power Generation	\$15,000				\$15,000
8650.229	Prod & SWD Facility Inst.	\$85,000				\$85,000
8650.231	Separator, Heater Treater, FWKO	\$80,000				\$80,000
8650.233	Flowline & Gathering Lines	\$24,500				\$24,500
8650.235	Miscellaneous Non-Controllable - Pipe, Valves & Fittings	\$55,000				\$55,000
	TFC Total:					\$339,500
	Development Drlg/Comp Total:					\$4,468,000
				Develo	pment Drlg/Comp Total:	\$6,977,794

Paula Francis Edwards	Date:	

This AFE is an estimate only and non-operator, by execution of same, commits to pay its proportionate share of actual cost incurred.

Chronology of contact with locatable uncommitted interest:

- November 2017 Steward Energy II, LLC ("Steward") acquires title to four (4) oil and gas leases, from PPC Operating Company LLC, effective 11/1/2017, that are held by existing vertical production. Three (3) of these leases cover Tract B, while the remaining lease covers Tract C. The United States of America, by the U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management, is the sole mineral owner in Tract C and the subject lease has been in its primary term, or held by production, since its execution on 3/1/1947 to Woodlan P. Saunders.
- November 2017 Steward Energy II, LLC begins to acquire oil and gas leases from the remaining unleased mineral owners. There were originally 2 unleased mineral owners located in Tracts A-D, being located in Tract D.
- August 1, 2021 Steward acquires additional working interest from Allied Kilgore Holdings, LLC, effective 8/1/2021, in Tract B.
- December 2, 2021 Steward Energy II, LLC sends the Fring Federal 2H well proposals to the uncommitted owners via certified U.S. Mail.
- January 4, 2022 After a title review, Steward Energy II, LLC sends the Fring Federal 2H well proposal to an additional uncommitted owner via certified U.S. Mail.
- February 7, 2022 Steward Energy II, LLC received 1 executed election letter from uncommitted owners who chose to participate in the drilling and completion of the Fring Federal 2H.
- July 25, 2022 Steward receives Pooling Order #R-22192 (Case No. 22734) for the Fring Federal 2H.
- September 26, 2022 Steward spuds the Fring Federal 2H (API 30-025-50202), and the Fring Federal 1H (API 30-025-50271), completing said wells on 11/2/2022. These wells have continually produced since being completed.
- February 2023 On 2/1/2023, Steward acquires title to the only oil and gas lease covering Tract A, via Term Assignments from Armstrong Energy Corporation (100%), Chimney Rock Oil and Gas, LLC (100%), Gunsight Limited Partnership (100%), Rio Potomac Investments, LLC (100%) & Slash Exploration Limited Partnership (85%). The United States of America, by the U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management, is the sole mineral owner in Tract A and the subject lease has been in its primary term, or held by production, since its execution on 9/1/2003 to Doug J. Schutz.
- March 30, 2023 Steward receives an Additional Pooling Order #R-22192-A (Case No. 23220) for the Fring Federal 2H for the additional uncommitted owner notified on January 4, 2022 outlined above.
- August 29, 2022 Steward sends the Gale Federal 2H well proposals to the uncommitted owners via certified U.S. Mail.
- October 20, 2023 Steward receives Pooling Order #R-22915 (Case No. 23578) for the Gale Federal 2H.

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- April 12, 2024 Steward Energy II, LLC sends the Gale-Fring Federal 3H joint operating agreements and well proposals to all uncommitted owners via certified U.S. Mail.
- May 21, 2024 Steward Energy II, LLC has received three (3) executed well proposals, and/or joint operating
  agreements, from uncommitted owners who chose to participate in the drilling and completion of the GaleFring Federal 3H.

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

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**CASE NO. 24496** 

# SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF JAMES VESS

- 1. I am a geologist at Steward Energy II, LLC ("Steward") and am over 18 years of age. I have personal knowledge of the matters addressed herein and am competent to provide this Self-Affirmed Statement. 1. I have not previously testified before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division"). I have a bachelor's degree in Geology from Texas Christian University and have worked in the petroleum industry for approximately 14 years. A copy of my resume is attached as **Exhibit B-1**.
  - 2. I am familiar with the geological matters that pertain to the above-referenced case.
- 3. **Exhibit B-2** is a location map of the proposed horizontal spacing unit ("Unit") within the San Andres formation represented by a yellow polygon with red outline. The approximate wellbore path for the proposed **Gale Fring Fed Com #3H** well ("Well") is represented by a light green dashed line with the surface hole location depicted as a square, and bottom-hole location as a circle. Existing producing wells in the targeted interval are represented by thin, light blue solid lines.
- 4. **Exhibit B-2** also contains a subsea structure map for the top of the Pi Marker in the San Andres formation that is representative of the targeted interval within the formation. The data points are indicated by red circles. The map demonstrates the formation is gently rising to the south

Steward Energy II, LLC Case No. 24496 Exhibit B near the mid-point of the planned path, then dipping back down at the proposed bottom hole location. I do not observe any faults, pinch-outs, or geologic impediments to developing the targeted intervals with horizontal wells.

- 5. **Exhibit B-2** identified three wells penetrating the targeted interval I used to construct a stratigraphic cross-section as represented by the solid black line labeled A to A'. I used these well logs because they penetrate the targeted interval, are of good quality, and are representative of the geology in the area.
- 6. **Exhibit B-3** is a stratigraphic cross-section using the representative wells identified on **Exhibit B-2**. It contains gamma ray, resistivity, and porosity logs. The proposed landing zone for the Well is labeled on the exhibit. This cross-section demonstrated the target interval is correlative across the Unit.
- 7. In my opinion, the proposed orientation for the Well is appropriate to properly develop the subject acreage because of consistent rock properties throughout the Unit and slightly dominant stress regime that yields a preferred fracture orientation in this portion of the trend.
- 8. Based on my geologic study of the area, the targeted interval underlying the Unit is suitable for development by horizontal wells and the tracts comprising the Unit will contribute more or less equally to the production of the Well.
- 9. In my opinion, the granting of Steward's application will serve the interests of conservation, the protection of correlative rights, and the prevention of waste and damage to the surface.
- 10. The exhibits attached hereto were either prepared by me or under my supervision or were compiled from company business records.

11. I understand this Self-Affirmed Statement will be used as written testimony in this case. I affirm my testimony above is true and correct and is made under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New Mexico. My testimony is made as of the date identified next to my signature below.

James Vess

6/4/2024 Date

## **James Vess Resume**

#### **EDUCATION**

Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, TX Bachelors in Geology and General Business Minor Collegiate Football Player, Defensive Lineman 2005-2008 Class of 2009

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### Titus Oil & Gas & Steward Energy II

Feb 2024 – present

Vice President of Geology

- Manager of all geologic responsibilities and duties for Permian Basin and Haynesville Asset Teams
- Evaluate current and future growth opportunities around existing leasehold through marketed processes, internal network of peers, and organic efforts generated by Asset Teams.
- Work directly with operations, reservoir, and land teams to create material for approval with private equity capital sponsor.

#### **Goodnight Energy Partners**

May 2023 – Feb 2024

Co-Founder & Chief Geologist

- Performed detailed subsurface analysis utilizing Petra Software and S&P Global/IHS production data, management presentation material, and project economics to operating partners and equity capital members for efforts to pursue and obtain a farmout agreement from a publicly traded oil and gas operator for certain depth rights in Reagan County, Tx.
- Created development plan and negotiated terms with operator senior management to facilitate cooperative terms for all parties.

Deep Rock Oct 2022 – Feb 2024

Co-Founder & Chief Geologist

- Managing Partner for a serviced-disabled, small business, veteran-owned carbon sequestration company operating in Texas.
- Partnered with Texas Christian University Geology, Chemistry and Biochemistry, Physics and Astronomy Departments, Environmental Subsurface and Molecular Sciences Laboratory at the Pacific National Lab in Richmond, Washington for a project that leverages soil complexity for accelerating the carbon-negative and hydrogen transition.
- Utilize veteran classification to apply for DOE Funding for CCUS project buildout and capitalization.

**Roxo II** Dec 2020 – Aug 2022

Co-Founder, Managing Member, Chief Geologist

- Lead Technical Partner who was responsible for acquisition, development, and divestiture of the Southeast Luther Fusselman Field waterflood in Howard County, TX.
- Created management material and content to Ten Oaks marketing firm to utilize in investment divestiture process in July 2022.
- Managed relationship and lead point of contact with head of engineering for operating partner,
   Walsh & Watts.
- Designed development plan to enhance waterflood injection capacity and overall field wide production.

Steward Energy II, LLC Case No. 24496 Exhibit B-1  Influential in exploiting additional hydrocarbons between producers and injectors which led to field decline from 6% → 0% annually.

Roxo Energy Nov 2015 – Dec 2020

Co-Founder, Managing Member, Chief Geologist

- Lead Technical Partner responsible for evaluations on Wolfcamp and Spraberry shales in Howard County.
- Utilized wireline log data, mudlog data, pressure test data, and Midland Sample Library for maturity study to advance the Wolfcamp and Spraberry shale plays.
- Directed a brokerage land team to solicit mineral owners for a drilling and completion program.
- Obtained commitment from private equity firm Vortus Investments in Fort Worth, TX and leased nearly 10,000 acres of undeveloped lands in 2016.
- Licensed 35 sq. mi. of seismic data from the Coyote Valley 3-D survey owned by Seitel for landing point target identification with 3<sup>rd</sup> party geophysicist.
- Divested leasehold position to Murchison Oil & Gas through RBC Capital Markets Investment Banking process in December 2019
- Divested mineral position to Blackstone Minerals Group in June 2020.

### **Enduro Resource Partners, Fort Worth, TX**

Sep 2011 - Nov 2015

Senior Geologist

- Performed detailed subsurface review of operated assets in Bighorn Basin, Wyoming in Cottonwood Creek Field for enhanced oil recovery in the Phosphoria Dolomites.
- Evaluated behind pipe pay in Tensleep, Muddy, Frontier, and other prospective horizons.
- Managed all geologic aspects across 500+ wellbores in McKenzie, Golden Valley, Divide, Square Butte, and Bottineau Counties for behind pipe pay evaluation.
- Added nearly 200 net BOEPD to company reserves.
- Developed horizontal Spearfish sands in 40 acre vertically spaced Newburg-Spearfish-Charles waterflood unit for increased secondary recovery efforts.
- Provided expert witness testimony to NDIC and WYOGCC for density-spacing and in-fill drilling application proceedings.

#### Norman Grimes Mudlogging Services, Canyon, TX

Jan 2011 - Sep 2011

Senior Wellsite Geologist

- Collected and analyzed subsurface drill cuttings under microscope and fluoroscope to create mudlogs for 3<sup>rd</sup> party clients.
- Established good working relationships with all drilling rig and drill-stem testing personnel during operations.

#### Purple Land Management, Fort Worth, TX

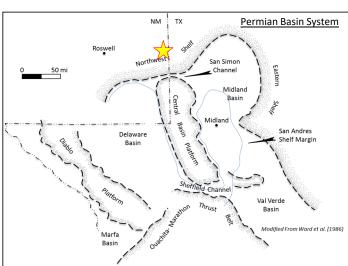
June 2010 – Jan 2011

Senior Landman (Barnett Team)

 Responsible for handling broker responsibilities such as leasing, running title, performing curative, and paying consideration for lease bonuses to mineral owners under Chesapeake operated horizontal units.

#### **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & ACCOLADES**

Fort Worth Geological Society member – 2010 to present American Association of Petroleum Geologists – 2010 to present TCU Energy MBA Project Advisor – 2022 to present TCU Football – 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All Conference Defensive Tackle (2009)



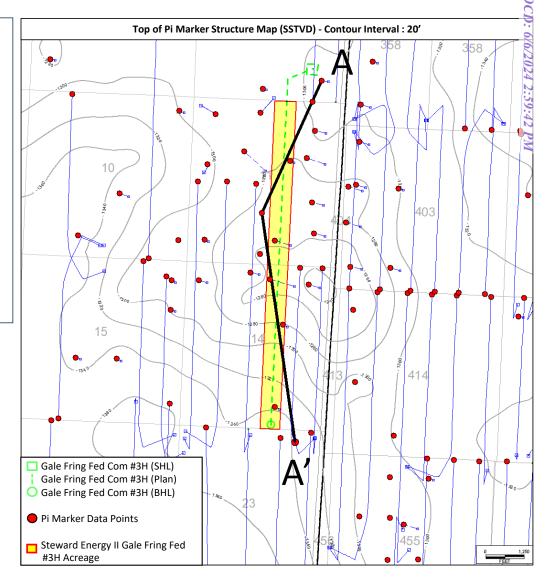


Exhibit B-2

**Steward Energy II, LLC** Case No. 24496 Exhibit B-2

Exhibit B-3

Steward Energy II, LLC Case No. 24496 Exhibit B-3

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**CASE NO. 24496** 

### SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF DANA S. HARDY

- I am attorney in fact and authorized representative of Steward Energy II, LLC, the Applicant herein.
- 2. I am familiar with the Notice Letter attached as **Exhibit C-1** and caused the Notice Letter, along with the Application in this case, to be sent to the parties set out in the chart attached as **Exhibit C-2**.
- 3. Exhibit C-2 also provides the date each Notice Letter was sent and the date each return was received.
- 4. Copies of the certified mail green cards and white slips are attached as **Exhibit C-3** as supporting documentation for proof of mailing and the information provided on Exhibit C-2.
- 5. On May 23, 2024, I caused a notice to be published to all interested parties in the Hobbs News-Sun. An Affidavit of Publication from the Legal Clerk of the Hobbs News-Sun, along with a copy of the notice publication, is attached as **Exhibit C-4**.
- 6. I understand this Self-Affirmed Statement will be used as written testimony in the subject cases. I affirm that my testimony above is true and correct and it made under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New Mexico. My testimony is made as of the date handwritten next to my signature below.

/s/ Dana S. Hardy
Dana S. Hardy

June 5, 2024 Date

> Steward Energy II, LLC Case No. 24496 Exhibit C



#### HINKLE SHANOR LLP

#### ATTORNEYS AT LAW

P.O. BOX 2068 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504 505-982-4554 (FAX) 505-982-8623

WRITER: Dana S. Hardy, Partner dhardy@hinklelawfirm.com

May 22, 2024

#### <u>VIA CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

#### TO ALL PARTIES ENTITLED TO NOTICE

Re: Case No. 24496 – Application of Steward Energy II, LLC for Compulsory Pooling and Approval of Overlapping Spacing Unit, Lea County, New Mexico.

To whom it may concern:

This letter is to advise you that the enclosed application was filed with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. The hearing will be conducted on **June 13, 2024**, beginning at 8:15 a.m.

The hearing will be conducted in a hybrid fashion, both in-person at the Energy, Minerals, Natural Resources Department, Wendell Chino Building, Pecos Hall, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, 1st Floor, Santa Fe, NM 87505 and via the WebEx virtual meeting platform. To participate virtually, see the instructions posted on the OCD Hearings website: <a href="https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/hearing-info/">https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/hearing-info/</a>. You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging the matter at a later date.

Pursuant to Division Rule 19.15.4.13.B, a party who intends to present evidence at the hearing shall file a pre-hearing statement and serve copies on other parties, or the attorneys of parties who are represented by counsel, at least four business days in advance of a scheduled hearing, but in no event later than 5:00 p.m. Mountain Time, on the Thursday preceding the scheduled hearing date. The statement must be submitted through the OCD E-Permitting system (<a href="https://www.apps.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/ocdpermitting/">https://www.apps.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/ocdpermitting/</a>) or via e-mail to ocd.hearings@emnrd.nm.gov and should include: the names of the parties and their attorneys, a concise statement of the case, the names of all witnesses the party will call to testify at the hearing, the approximate time the party will need to present its case, and identification of any procedural matters that are to be resolved prior to the hearing.

Please contact Cooper Newlan, Senior Landman at Steward Energy II, LLC, via email at cooper.newlan@stewardenergy.net if you have questions regarding these matters.

Sincerely, /s/ Dana S. Hardy

Dana S. Hardy

Steward Energy II, LLC Case No. 24496 Exhibit C-1

Enclosure

PO BOX 10 ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO 88202 (575) 622-6510 FAX (575) 623-9332 7601 JEFFERSON ST NE · SUITE 180 ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO 87109 505-858-8320 (FAX) 505-858-8321 PO BOX 2068 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504 (505) 982-4554 FAX (505) 982-8623

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### **NOTICE LETTER CHART**

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Attn: George J. Ulmo, Jr.		
5801 Highland Blvd.		
Midland, TX 79707-5032		
Kennedy Minerals, Ltd.	05/22/24	05/30/24
Attn: Lisa R. Epperson		
223 West Wall Street, Suite 700		
Midland, TX 79701-4695		
McCarthy Oil & Gas, LLC	05/22/24	Per USPS Tracking
Attn: Bo McCarthy		(Last Checked 06/05/24):
25807 Westheimer Pkwy, Ste 349		
Katy, TX 77494		05/30/24 – Item in transit
		to next facility.
Slash Exploration LP	05/22/24	05/30/24
Attn: Kevin Klein		
PO Box 1973		
Roswell, NM 88202-1973		
Terra Nova Energy, LP	05/22/24	06/03/24
Attn: James E. Geitgey		
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Midland, TX 79705		

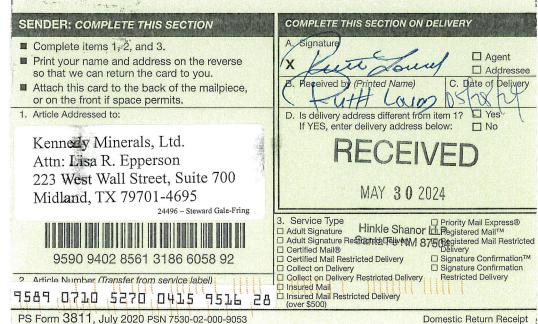
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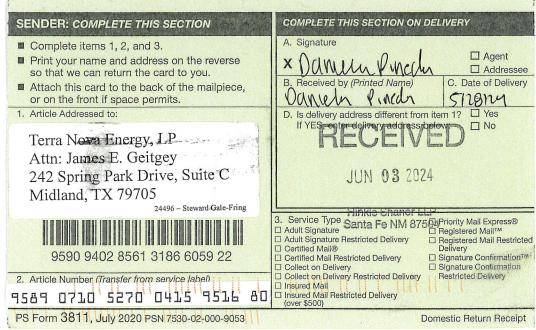














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LEGAL NOTICE May 23, 2024

This is to notify all interested parties, including Paula Francis Edwards; G&M Oil, LLC; Kennedy Minerals, Ltd.; McCarthy Oil & Gas, LLC; Slash Exploration LP; Terra Nova Energy, LP; and their successors and assigns, that the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division will conduct a hearing on an application submitted by Steward Energy II, LLC (Case No. 24498). The hearing will be conducted on June 13, 2024, in a hybrid fashlon, both in-person at the Energy, Minerals, Natural Resources Department, Wendell Chino Building, Pecos Hall, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, 1st Floor, Santa Fe, NM 87505 and via the WebEx virtual meeting platform. To participate virtually, see the instructions posted on the OCD Hearing swebsite instructions posted on the OCD Hearing overlapping horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2 E/2 of irregular Sections 11 and 14, Township 13 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"); and (2) pooling all uncommitted interests in the San Andres formation underlying the Unit. Applicant seeks to dedicate the Unit to the Gale-Fring Federal 3H well ("Weil"), which will be drilled from a surface hole location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 2 to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 2 to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 14. The completed interval of the Well will be orthodox. The Unit will partially overlap with the spacing units for the Gale Federal #002H well (API #30-025-52292) and the Fring Federal #2H well (API #30-025-50202). Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the Well and the allocation of the costs, the designation of Applicant as operator of the Well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the Well. The Well is located approximately 14.8 miles southeast of Tatum, New Mexico. #00290598

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