

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

**APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL
PERMIAN, LLC FOR COMPULSORY
POOLING AND APPROVAL OF
NON-STANDARD SPACING UNIT,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

CASE NO. _____

APPLICATION

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-17, Marathon Oil Permian LLC (OGRID No. 372098) (“Marathon” or “Applicant”) applies for an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a 1,579.28-acre, more or less, non-standard, horizontal spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 24, 25, and irregular Section 36, Township 26 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico (“Unit”). In support of this application, Marathon states the following.

1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the Unit and has the right to drill wells thereon.
2. The Unit will be dedicated to the following wells (“Wells”):
 - a. **Goliath 24 Federal Com #104H**, which will produce from a first take point located in the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) of Section 24 to a last take point located in Lot 4 of Section 36;
 - b. **Goliath 24 Federal Com #301H**, which will produce from a first take point located in the NE/4 NW/4 (Unit C) of Section 24 to a last take point located in Lot 3 of Section 36;

- c. **Goliath 24 Federal Com #302H**, which will produce from a first take point located in the NE/4 NW/4 (Unit C) of Section 24 to a last take point located in Lot 3 of Section 36;
 - d. **Goliath 24 Federal Com #304H**, which will produce from a first take point located in the NW/4 NE/4 (Unit B) of Section 24 to a last take point located in Lot 2 of Section 36;
 - e. **Goliath 24 Federal Com #305H**, which will produce from a first take point located in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 24 to a last take point located in Lot 1 of Section 36;
 - f. **Goliath 24 Federal Com #306H**, which will produce from a first take point located in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 24 to a last take point located in Lot 1 of Section 36;
 - g. **Goliath 24 Federal Com #504H**, which will produce from a first take point located in the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) of Section 24 to a last take point located in Lot 4 of Section 36;
 - h. **Goliath 24 Federal Com #505H**, which will produce from a first take point located in the NW/4 NE/4 (Unit B) of Section 24 to a last take point located in Lot 2 of Section 36; and
 - i. **Goliath 24 Federal Com #506H**, which will produce from a first take point located in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 24 to a last take point located in Lot 1 of Section 36.
3. The completed intervals of the Wells will be orthodox.

4. Marathon requests approval of a non-standard horizontal spacing unit pursuant to Rule 19.15.16.15(B)(5) NMAC, which will create cost efficiencies, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.

5. Applicant has undertaken diligent, good-faith efforts to obtain voluntary agreements from all interest owners to participate in the drilling of the Wells but has been unable to obtain voluntary agreements from all interest owners.

6. The pooling of uncommitted interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.

7. In order to allow 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 as the operator of the Wells and Unit.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on September 11, 2025, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted interests in the Unit;
- B. Approving the Wells in the Unit;
- C. Approving the non-standard horizontal spacing unit pursuant to Rule 19.15.16.15(B)(5) NMAC;
- D. Designating Applicant as operator of the Unit and the Wells to be drilled thereon;
- E. Authorizing Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the Wells;

- F. Approving the actual operating charges and costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, together with a provision adjusting the rate pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures; and
- G. Imposing a 200% penalty for the risk assumed by Applicant in drilling and completing the Wells against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of the Wells.

Respectfully submitted,

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