

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

**APPLICATION OF COTERRA ENERGY OPERATING CO.  
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. 25524**

**APPLICATION OF COTERRA ENERGY OPERATING CO.  
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, AND TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY, APPROVAL  
OF OVERLAPPING SPACING UNITS, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. 25525**

**PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

Coterra Energy Operating Co. ("Coterra") submits this Pre-Hearing Statement for the above-referenced cases pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

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**APPLICANT**

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### **STATEMENT OF CASES**

In Case No. 25524, Coterra seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted interests within a 640-acre, more or less, Bone Spring horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2E/2 of Sections 26 and 35, Township 18 South, Range 35 East and the E/2E/2 of Sections 2 and 11, Township 19 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the Yeti State Com #224H well, with a proposed surface hole location in the SE/4 of Section 11, Township 19 South, Range 35 East, and a proposed bottom hole location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 26, Township 18 South, Range 36 East. The well will be drilled at orthodox locations. Applicant also seeks, to the extent necessary, approval of an overlapping spacing unit. The proposed horizontal spacing unit will partially overlap with the following existing Bone Spring spacing unit dedicated to the Blue Box Federal Com 505H well, API no. 30-025-52080, which unit is comprised of the E/2SE/4 of Section 2 and the E/2E/2 of Sections 11 and 14, Township 19 South, Range 35 East and the W/2SW/4 of Section 1 and the W/2W/2 of Sections 12 and 13, Township 19 South, Range 35 East. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling, completing, and equipping said well, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision while drilling and after completion, designation of Coterra Energy Operating Co. as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 16 miles West of Hobbs, New Mexico.

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### **PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

Coterra has filed self-affirmed declarations for the following witnesses and intends to call them at the hearing in these consolidated matters:

#### **APPLICANT:**

<b>WITNESS</b>	<b>ESTIMATED TIME</b>	<b>EXHIBITS</b>
Landman: Scott Richter	Approx. 10 minutes	Approx. 7

Geologist: Staci Frey

Approx. 5 minutes

Approx. 5

### **PROCEDURAL ISSUES**

Coterra intends to present these cases by affidavit if there is no opposition to these applications.

Respectfully submitted,

MODRALL, SPERLING, ROEHL, HARRIS  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served on counsel of record by electronic mail on September 4, 2025.

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QUESTIONS

Action 502911

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	Action Type: [HEAR] Prehearing Statement (PREHEARING)

QUESTIONS

Testimony	
Please assist us by provide the following information about your testimony.	
Number of witnesses	2
Testimony time (in minutes)	Not answered.