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

APPLICATION OF MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY TO AMEND ORDER R-22559, AS AMENDED, TO ADD ADDITIONAL POOLED PARTIES, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. \_\_\_\_ORDER R-22559-A

## **APPLICATION**

Matador Production Company ("Matador" or "Applicant"), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division ("Division") to amend pooling Order R-22559, as amended, to add an additional record title owner to the pooling order. In support of its application, Matador states:

1. On March 30, 2023 the Division issued Order R-22559 (the "Order") in Case No. 23065 pooling uncommitted mineral interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation (oil) (Burton Flat; Wolfcamp, East [98315]) underlying the N/2 S/2 of Section 21, and the N/2 SW/4 and NW/4 SE/4 of Section 22, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico and dedicated the 280-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit to the Michael K 21 22 Federal Com 203H well. Similarly, on March 30, 2023 the Division issued Order R-22560 (the "Order") in Case No. 23066 pooling uncommitted mineral interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation (Burton Flat; Wolfcamp, East [98315]) underlying the S/2 S/2 of Section 21, and the S/2 SW/4 and SW/4 SE/4 of Section 22, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico and dedicated the 280-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit to the Michael K 21 22 Federal Com 204H well.

- 2. On July 21, 2023, after Matador was informed by the Division that the pooled acreage is in a gas pool and subject to 320-acre standard spacing, the Division issued Order R-22559-A<sup>1</sup> in Case No. 23552 and vacated Order R-22560, as amended, conforming the amended order to Matador's revised development plan to combine the dedicated acreage under the original Orders to pool the uncommitted interests in a non-standard 560-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit in the Wolfcamp formation (Burton Flat; Wolfcamp, East (gas) [73480]) comprised of the S/2 of Section 21, the SW/4 and W/2 SE/4 of Section 22, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. This non-standard 560-acre horizontal well spacing unit is currently dedicated to the drilled and producing Michael K 21 22 Federal Com 203H well (API No. 30-015-53686) and Michael K 21 22 Federal Com 204H well (API No. 30-015-53685).
- 3. Since the issuance of amended Order R-22559-A, Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain signature on the federal communitization agreement from a record title owner.
- 4. Pooling this additional record title owner in the spacing unit is necessary to obtain approval of the communitization agreement from the Bureau of Land Management, and to prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on November 13, 2025, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order pooling this additional record title owner under the terms of Order R-22559, as amended. Matador further requests that any order issued by the Division also include the correct compulsory pooling checklist that was filed in Case No. 23552.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Order R-22559-A has the incorrect compulsory pooling checklist attached to the order. The compulsory checklist for Case No. 23549 is attached to the order, rather than the compulsory pooling checklist that was filed with the hearing packet for Case No. 23552.

Respectfully submitted,

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CASE :

Application of Matador Production Company to Amend Order R-22559, As Amended, to Add Additional Pooled Parties, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order amending pooling Order R-22559, as amended, to add an additional record title owner to the pooling order. Order R-22559-A was issued in Case No. 23552 and pooled the uncommitted interests in a non-standard 580-acre, more or less, horizontal spacing unit in the Wolfcamp formation (Burton Flat; Wolfcamp, East (gas) [73480]) comprised of the S/2 of Section 21, the SW/4 and W/2 SE/4 of Section 22, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. This non-standard 580-acre horizontal well spacing unit is currently dedicated to the drilled and producing Michael K 21 22 Federal Com 203H well (API No. 30-015-53686) and Michael K 21 22 Federal Com 204H well (API No. 30-015-53685). The subject area is located approximately 14 miles northeast of Carlsbad, New Mexico.