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Administrative Order NSP-2130

## ADMINISTRATIVE NON-STANDARD HORIZONTAL SPACING UNIT

## Matador Production Company [OGRID 228937]

Michael Ryan Federal Com Well No. 203H, API 30-015-PENDING Michael Ryan Federal Com Well No. 204H, API 30-015-PENDING

Reference is made to your application received on September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021.

You have requested approval of a non-standard horizontal spacing unit to be included in your proposed horizontal spacing unit, as follows:

## **Proposed Decreased Horizontal Spacing Unit:**

Description	Acres	Pool	Pool Code
S/2 of Section 16 &	560	Purple Sage; Wolfcamp	98220
SW/4, W/2 SE/4 of			
Section 15			

You have requested an exception pursuant to Rule 19.15.16.15(A)(3) NMAC, to approve a nonstandard horizontal spacing unit, consisting of the entire area described above as the horizontal spacing unit. The proposed horizontal spacing unit does not consist of a quarter section or equivalent in both sections, as required by Rule 19.15.16.15(B)(3) NMAC.

We understand that you are seeking this exception for an allowance to create a non-standard horizontal spacing unit, comprised of the Proposed Horizontal Spacing Unit referenced above within Eddy County, New Mexico.

The Division understands you have given notice of this application to all operators or owners who are "affected persons," as defined in Paragraph (8) Subsection A of 19.15.2.7 NMAC, in all adjoining units which are being excluded.

You have requested this non-standard horizontal spacing unit due to the existing Big Eddy Unit located in the excluded 80 acres of the horizontal spacing unit of the horizontal spacing unit

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within the S/2 of section 16 and the SW/4, W/2 SE/4 of section 15. Therefore, reducing waste while protecting correlative rights within the referenced Horizontal Spacing Unit.

Pursuant to the authority conferred by Division Rule 19.15.16.15(B)(5) NMAC, the abovedescribed **non-standard horizontal spacing unit is hereby approved**. Further, the Applicant may add additional wells to the horizontal spacing unit with a Sundry notice to the Engineering Bureau, reference this NSP Order.

## **General Provisions**

The above approvals are subject to your being in compliance with all other applicable Division rules, including, but not limited to Division Rule 19.15.5.9 NMAC.

Jurisdiction of this case is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.



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