

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

**APPLICATION OF PALADIN ENERGY
CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY
POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

Case No. 13375

2009 DEC 9 PM 4 26

APPLICANT'S PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

Applicant hereby submits this Pre-Hearing Statement pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES

APPLICANT

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APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF CASE

Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interests in all formations below the base of the Queen formation underlying the S/2 of Section 22, Township 18 South, Range 35 East to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for all formations or pools developed on 320-acre spacing, which presently includes the South Vacuum-McKee Gas Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to Paladin's proposed South Vacuum 22 Well No. 1 to be drilled at a standard location in SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of said Section 22 to test the McKee formation at depth of approximately 14,000 feet. Said area is located approximately 19 miles northwest of Hobbs and 4 miles southwest of Buckeye, New Mexico.

APPLICANT'S PROPOSED EVIDENCE


WITNESS (Name and Expertise)	ESTIMATED TIME	EXHIBITS
Gail Cotton - Landman	Approx. 10 minutes	Approx. 6

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Paladin is not aware of any procedural matters at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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