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

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# IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

# APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING LLC FOR TWO NON-STANDARD OIL SPACING AND PRORATION UNITS, AND APPROVAL OF NON-STANDARD PROJECT AREAS FOR TWO WELLS, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 15,035

# PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by Inland Holdings, LLC as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

# APPEARANCES

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# STATEMENT OF THE CASE

## APPLICANT

### **OPPONENTS**

Applicant seeks approval of two 280 acre non-standard oil spacing and proration units located in Sections 5 and 8, Township 26 South, Range 34 East, NMPM. Opponent, Inland Title, LLC, is a mineral owner of a certain amount of undivided minerals under the N/2NW, NW/4NE/4 of Section 5, T26S-R34E, Lea County, NM which is excluded from the well units. Opponent's

correlative rights will be harmed by the granting of COG's proposed well units. Opponent further supports the Pre-Hearing Statement filed by Yates Brothers. Opponent also states that it is currently evaluating a settlement offer received on September 12, 2013, proposed by Applicant, and is hoping that an amicable solution can be reached to resolve the disputed issues in this proceeding.

# **PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

### APPLICANT

### <u>WITNESSES</u>

#### <u>EST. TIME</u>

#### EXHIBITS

**OPPONENTS** 

## **WITNESSES**

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## <u>EXHIBITS</u>

Inland Title supports the witnesses identified by Yates Brothers and does not intend to call additional witnesses.

# **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

Respectfully submitted,

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