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

APPLICATION OF BC OPERATING, INC. FOR A NON-STANDARD SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT, APPROVAL OF AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION, AND COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NOS. 15529 and 15530

#### APPLICANTS' PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by applicants BC Operating, Inc. ("BC") in accordance with the Oil Conservation Division's regulations.

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#### APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF THE CASE

In Case No. 15529, BC seeks an order (1) creating a 160-acre, more or less, non-standard spacing and proration unit comprised of the NE/4 of Section 34, Township 23 South, Range 26 East, Eddy County, New Mexico; (2) pooling all uncommitted interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the E/2 of Section 27 and the proposed non-standard spacing and proration unit comprised of the NE/4 of Section 34 to form a 480-acre spacing and proration unit for the proposed horizontal well; and (3) approving unorthodox location for the proposed horizontal well. The 480-acre spacing and proration unit will be the project area for the proposed Red Light 27-34 State Com No. 1H Well, which will be drilled horizontally from the NW/4 NE/4 (Unit B) of Section 27 to a non-standard bottomhole location in the SW/4 NE/4 (Unit G) of Section 34.

In Case No. 15530, BC seeks an order (1) creating a 160-acre, more or less, non-standard spacing and proration unit comprised of the NW/4 of Section 34, Township 23 South, Range 26 East, Eddy County, New Mexico; (2) pooling all uncommitted interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the W/2 of Section 27 and the proposed non-standard spacing and proration unit comprised of the NW/4 of Section 34 to form a 480-acre spacing and proration unit for the proposed horizontal well; and (3) approving an unorthodox location for the proposed horizontal well. This 480-acre spacing and proration unit will be the project area for the proposed Red Light 27-34 State Com No. 2H Well, which will be drilled horizontally from the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) of Section 27 to a non-standard bottomhole location in the SW/4 NW/4 (Unit E) of Section 34.

## APPLICANT'S PROPOSED EVIDENCE

WITNESS Name and Expertise	ESTIMATED TIME	EXHIBITS
Harmon Murphy Landman	Approx. 15 minutes	Approx. 7
Mike Moylette Geologist	Approx. 10 minutes	Approx. 5

## **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

Applicant requests that Case Nos. 15529 and 15530 be consolidated for hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on September 8, 2016, I served a copy of the foregoing document to the following counsel of record via electronic mail:

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