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Florene Davidson Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Case 16450

Dear Florene:

Enclosed for filing, on behalf of Mewbourne Oil Company, are an application for compulsory pooling, together with a proposed advertisement. Please set the application for the October 18, 2018 Examiner hearing. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

James Bruce

Attorney for Mewbourne Oil Company

## BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY FOR A NON-STANDARD OIL SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 16450

## **APPLICATION**

Mewbourne Oil Company applies for an order pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of Lots 2, 7, 10, and 15 and the W/2SE/4 (the W/2E/2) of oversized Section 6, Township 21 South, Range 35 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico, and in support thereof, states:

- 1. Applicant is an interest owner in the W/2E/2 of Section 6, and has the right to drill a well thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill its Cast Away B2BW State Com. Well No. 1H to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation. Applicant seeks to dedicate the W/2E/2 of Section 6 to the well to form a 237.60 acre horizontal spacing unit in the Bone Spring formation. The well is a horizontal well, with a first take point in Lot 2 and a last take point in the SW/4SE/4 of Section 6.
- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the Bone Spring formation in the W/2E/2 of Section 6 for the purposes set forth herein.
- 4. Although applicant attempted to obtain voluntary agreements from all mineral interest owners to participate in the drilling of the well or to otherwise commit their interests to the well, certain interest owners have failed or refused to join in dedicating their interests. Therefore, applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interest owners in the Bone Spring formation in the W/2E/2 of Section 6, pursuant to NMSA 1978 §§70-2-17.

5. The pooling of all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the W/2E/2 of Section 6 will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect

correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, applicant requests that, after notice and hearing, the Division enter its

order:

A. Approving a horizontal spacing unit in the Bone Spring formation comprised of

the W/2E/2 of Section 6;

B. Pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the W/2E/2

of Section 6;

C. Designating applicant as operator of the well;

D. Considering the cost of drilling and completing the well, and allocating the cost

among the well's working interest owners;

E. Approving actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision, together

with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure; and

F. Setting a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well in

the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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## PROPOSED ADVERTISEMENT

Case No. 16450:

Application of Mewbourne Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Mewbourne Oil Company seeks an order pooling of all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a 237.60-acre horizontal spacing unit in the Bone Spring formation comprised of Lots 2, 7, 10, 15 and the W/2SE/4 (the W/2E/2) of oversized Section 6, Township 21 South, Range 35 East, NMPM. The unit will be dedicated to the Cast Away B2BW State Com. Well No. 1H, a horizontal well with a first take point in Lot 2 and a last take point in the SW/4SE/4 of Section 6. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well. The unit is located approximately 9-1/2 miles west-northwest of Oil Center, New Mexico.