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Case 16453

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

## Dear Florene:

Enclosed for filing, on behalf of Matador Production Company, is an application for compulsory pooling, together with a proposed advertisement. Please set this matter for the October 18, 2018 Examiner hearing. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

James Bruce

Attorney for Matador Production Company

## BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 16453

## **APPLICATION**

Matador Production Company applies for an order pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2E/2 of Section 1, Township 23 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support thereof, states:

- 1. Applicant is an operator in the W/2E/2 of Section 1, and has the right to drill a well thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill the Larry Wolfish 1&12-23S-27E RB Well No. 123H, a Bone Spring horizontal well with a surface location in the SW/4SE/4 of Section 36, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, a first take point in the NW/4NE/4 of Section 1, and a last take point in the SW/4SE/4 of Section 1. The producing interval of the well will be orthodox.
- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the W/2E/2 of Section 1 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 1, 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 1 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. Pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the W/2E/2

of Section 1;

B. Designating applicant as operator of the well;

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

thereof among the well's working interest owners;

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

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

E. 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