

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

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SPACING UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

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MARATHON'S PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

Marathon Oil Permian LLC ("Marathon") submits this Pre-Hearing Statement for the above-referenced case pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES

APPLICANT

Marathon Oil Permian LLC

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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT:

In Case No. 20061, Marathon seeks an order from the Division: (1) to the extent necessary, approving the creation of a Bone Spring spacing unit; and (2) pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a Bone Spring horizontal spacing unit underlying the E/2 E/2 of Sections 10 and 15, Township 20 South, Range 32 East, Lea County, New Mexico. This proposed spacing unit will be dedicated to the **Queenie Federal 20-32-15 SB 2H** well, to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for this well will be orthodox. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Marathon as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well, and allowing a one year period between when the well is drilled and when the well is completed.

In Case No. 20062, Marathon seeks an order from the Division (1) to the extent necessary, approving the creation of a Bone Spring spacing unit; and (2) pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a Bone Spring horizontal spacing unit underlying the W/2 E/2 of Sections 10 and 15, Township 20 South, Range 32 East, Lea County, New Mexico. This proposed spacing unit will be dedicated to the **Queenie Federal 20-32-15 SB 3H** well, to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for this well will be orthodox. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Marathon as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well, and allowing a one year period between when the well is drilled and when the well is completed.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT:

WITNESS	ESTIMATED TIME	EXHIBITS
Landman: TBD	Approx. 30 minutes	Approx. 8
Geologist: TBD	Approx. 30 minutes	Approx. 6

PROCEDURAL ISSUES

Marathon asks that these matters be consolidated at hearing. Additionally, if there are no objections to these matters, Marathon intends to present them by affidavit.

Respectfully submitted,

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