

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

Case No. 20123

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Pre-hearing Statement is submitted by and through its undersigned counsel, Ernest L. Padilla, PADILLA LAW FIRM, P.A., on behalf of EOG Resources, Inc., as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

See Applicant's Prehearing Statement.

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Due to workload demands and staffing shortages due the holiday season EOG Resources, Inc., has not fully evaluated its position regarding the instant application. There exist competing development issues. EOG can drill, complete, and more efficiently operate the proposed well for lower costs than Applicant, and therefore, should be named operator of the well. EOG requires additional time to determine whether it can reach agreement with Applicant and to prepare for hearing.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT:

WITNESS

EST. TIME

EXHIBITS

OPPOSITION:

WITNESS

EST. TIME

EXHIBITS

Charles Moran, Landman

15 minutes

Unknown,
but approximately 5

EOG will call a Petroleum Engineer to testify concerning drilling and completion costs.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

As stated in above in the Opposition statement EOG requires additional time within which to prepare for hearing and to further evaluate its position so that it may attempt to resolve issues between Applicant and EOG, and therefore requests a continuance of this case to a later Division docket.

Undersigned counsel has attempted to communicate with Michael Feldewert, one of counsel Applicant, regarding this request for continuance, but was unable to communicate with him due to conflicting schedules and before this Prehearing Statement had to be filed.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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