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

APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE	NO.		

## APPLICATION

COG Operating LLC ("Applicant") (OGRID No. 229137), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of N.M. Stat. Ann. § 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a standard 320-acre, more or less, horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Sections 17 and 20, Township 26 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. In support of its application, COG states:

- 1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the proposed horizontal spacing unit and has the right to drill thereon.
- 2. Applicant seeks to dedicate the above-referenced horizontal spacing unit to the proposed **Riverwalk Fed Com #501H well** to be drilled from a surface hole location in NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 29 to a bottom hole location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 17.
- 3. The completed interval for the proposed **Riverwalk Fed Com #501H well** will comply with statewide setbacks for horizontal oil wells.
- 4. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the development of these lands from all the working interest owners in the subject spacing unit.

- 5. The pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste, and will protect correlative rights.
- 6. In order to permit Applicant to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, all uncommitted interests in this horizontal spacing unit should be pooled and Applicant should be designated the operator of this proposed horizontal wells and spacing unit.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on September 5, 2019, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted interests in the horizontal spacing unit;
- B. Approving the initial well in the horizontal spacing unit;
- C. Designating Applicant as the operator of this spacing unit and the horizontal well to be drilled thereon;
- D. Authorizing Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the well:
- E. Approving the actual operating charges and costs of supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures; and
- F. Imposing a 200% charge for the risk assumed by Applicant in drilling and completing the well against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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Application of COG Operating LLC for compulsory pooling, Eddy

County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order pooling all uncommitted interest owners in the Bone Spring formation underlying a standard 320-acre, more or less, horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Sections 17 and 20, Township 26 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks to dedicate the above-referenced horizontal spacing unit to the proposed Riverwalk Fed Com #501H well to be drilled from a surface hole location in NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 29 to a bottom hole location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 17. The completed interval for this well will comply with statewide setbacks for horizonal oil wells. Also, to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well, the allocation of the cost thereof, the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, the designation of applicant as operator, and the imposition of 200% charge for risk involved in drilling and completing the well. Said area is located approximately 12.6 miles southeast of Malaga, New Mexico.