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

APPLICATION OF THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION TO AMEND 19.15.5 NMAC; STATEWIDE

CASE No. 20895

## NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION'S AMENDED CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

As Clerk to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission ("OCC"), I hereby certify that notice of this matter has been provided as follows:

- 1. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for this Case ("Notice") was published in the New Mexico Register on November 26, 2019. Exhibit A.
- 2. The Notice was sent to the Albuquerque Journal and was published on November 15, 2019. Exhibit B.
- 3. On November 22, 2019, the Notice was posted on the Oil Conservation Division ("OCD") website and remained posted through the date of the public hearing. Exhibit C.
- 4. On November 22, 2019, the Notice was sent to the OCD field offices in Hobbs, Artesia and Aztec to be available to the public.
- 5. On November 22, 2019, the Notice had been mailed or e-mailed to all persons on the OCC's mailing list for rulemakings.
- 6. On November 22, 2019, the Notice was mailed to the New Mexico Legislative Council for distribution to committees.
- 7. On November 22, 2019, the Notice was posted on the Sunshine Portal. Exhibit D.

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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### Affidavit of Publication in New Mexico Register

I, Matthew Ortiz, certify that the agency noted on Invoice # 4534 has published legal notice of rulemaking or rules in the NEW MEXICO REGISTER, VOLUME XXX, that payment has been assessed for said legal notice of rulemaking or rules, which appears on the publication date and in the issue number noted on Invoice # 4534, and that Invoice # 4534 has been sent electronically to the person(s) listed on the Billing Information Sheet provided by the agency.

Affiant:

Subscribed, sworn and acknowledged before me this day of November, 2019.

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Case No. 20895: APPLICATION OF THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION TO AMEND THE COMMISSION'S RULE FOR COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT IN SECTIONS 3, 8, 9, AND 10 OF 19.15.5 NMAC; STATEWIDE.

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Legal Authority. The proposed rule is authorized by the Oil and Gas Act, Sections 70-2-1 through 70-2-38 NMSA 1978, and specifically, Section 70-2-6 (authorizing the Commission to exercise jurisdiction, authority and control of and over all persons, matters, and things necessary or proper to enforce the statute), Section 70-2-11 (authorizing the Commission to make rules to prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and to do whatever may be reasonably necessary to implement the statute), Section 70-2-12 (enumerating the powers of the Commission and OCD), and Section 70-2-31 (authorizing the Commission to adopt rules for the issuance and adjudication of enforcement actions, including the assessment of civil penalties). The public hearing is governed by the Commission's rule on rulemaking proceedings, 19.15.3 NMAC.

Availability of Proposed Rule. The full text of the proposed rule may be obtained from the Commission Clerk, Florene Davidson, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Wendell Chino Building, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87505, florene.davidson@state.nm.us, (505) 476-3458, or can be viewed on the Rules page of the OCD's website at http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/ocd, or in the OCD's offices in Santa Fe, Hobbs, Artesia or Aztec.

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Technical Information. There is no technical information for the proposed rule.

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County of Bernalillo

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Elise Rodriguez, the undersigned, on oath states that she is an authorized Representative of The Albuquerque Journal, and that this newspaper is duly qualified to publish legal notices or advertisements within the meaning of Section 3, Chapter 167, Session Laws of 1937, and that payment therefore has been made of assessed as court cost; that the notice, copy of which hereto attached, was published in said paper in the regular daily edition, for 1 time(s) on the following

Sworn and subscribed before me, a Notary Public, in and for the County of Bernalillo and State of New Mexico this 15 day of November of 2019

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Given under the Seal of the State of New Mexico Oil Conserva-tion Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico on this 13th day of November, 2019. STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION.

Adrienne Sandoval Chair, Oli Conservation Commission

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