

COG OPERATING LLC Case No. 21305 & 21306 War Eagle Wells



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

APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING LLC TO CONFORM ORDER NO. R-21090 TO THE AMENDED ORDER TEMPLATE LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

> CASE NO. 2305 ORDER NO. R-21090 (Re-Open)

APPLICATION

COG OPERATING LLC ("COG") (OGRID No. 229137), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division ("Division") for the limited purpose of conforming Division Order No. R-21090 to the amended order template ("Amended Order Template") described in the Letter of the Division Director dated April 9, 2020 (RE: Amendments to Compulsory Pooling Order Template). In support of its application, COG states:

- 1. The Division entered Order No. R-21090 in Case No. 20854 on November 14, 2019.
- 2. Order No. R-21090 created a 640-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit consisting Lots 1-2, S/2NE/4, and the SE/4 (E/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 1, and the E/2 of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"). Order No. R-21090 further designated COG as operator of the Unit and pooled all uncommitted interests within the Teas; Bone Spring Pool (Pool Code: 58960) underlying the Unit.
- 3. COG requests that Order No. R-21090 be opened for the limited purpose of conforming this order to the terms the Amended Order Template.
 - 4. COG remains in compliance with all terms of Order No. R-21090.

WHEREFORE, COG requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on June 11, 2020, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division amend Order No. R-21090 to conform it to the terms of the Amended Order Template.

Respectfully submitted,

COG OPERATING LLC

/s/ Michael Rodriguez

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ATTORNEYS FOR COG OPERATING LLC

CASE ____:

Application of COG Operating LLC to conform order no. R-21090 to the amended order template, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order from the Division for the limited purpose of conforming Division Order No. R-21090 to the amended order template described in the Letter of the Division Director dated April 9, 2020 (RE: Amendments to Compulsory Pooling Order Template). Order No. R-21090, as issued in Case No. 20854, created a 640-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit consisting Lots 1-2, S/2NE/4, and the SE/4 (E/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 1, and the E/2 of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico and pooled all uncommitted interests within the Teas; Bone Spring Pool (Pool Code: 58960) underlying the unit.

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING SUBMITTED BY COG OPERATING LLC

CASE NO. 20854 ORDER NO. R-21090

<u>ORDER</u>

The Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("OCD"), having heard this matter through a Hearing Examiner on November 14, 2019, and after considering the testimony, evidence, and recommendation of the Hearing Examiner, issues the following Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- COG Operating LLC ("Operator") submitted an application ("Application") to compulsory pool the uncommitted oil and gas interests within the spacing unit ("Unit") described in Exhibit A. The Unit is expected to be a standard horizontal spacing unit. 19.15.16.15(B) NMAC. Operator seeks to be designated the operator of the Unit.
- 2. Operator will dedicate the well(s) described in Exhibit A ("Well(s)") to the Unit.
- 3. Operator proposes the supervision and risk charges for the Well(s) described in Exhibit A.
- 4. Operator identified the owners of uncommitted interests in oil and gas minerals in the Unit and provided evidence that notice was given.
- The Application was heard by the Hearing Examiner on the date specified above, during which Operator presented evidence through affidavits in support of the Application. No other party presented evidence at the hearing.

Exhibit No. 1
Submitted by:
COG OPERATING LLC
Hearing Date: June 11, 2020

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- OCD has jurisdiction to issue this Order pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-17.
- 7. Operator is the owner of an oil and gas working interest within the Unit.
- 8. Operator satisfied the notice requirements for the Application and the hearing as required by 19.15.4.12 NMAC.
- 9. OCD satisfied the notice requirements for the hearing as required by 19.15.4.9 NMAC.
- 10. Operator has the right to drill the Well(s) to a common source of supply at the described depth(s) and location(s) in the Unit.
- 11. The Unit contains separately owned uncommitted interests in oil and gas minerals.
- 12. Some of the owners of the uncommitted interests have not agreed to commit their interests to the Unit.
- 13. The pooling of uncommitted interests in the Unit will prevent waste and protect correlative rights, including the drilling of unnecessary wells.
- 14. This Order affords to the owner of an uncommitted interest the opportunity to produce his just and equitable share of the oil or gas in the pool.

ORDER

- 15. The uncommitted interests in the Unit are pooled as set forth in Exhibit A.
- 16. The Unit shall be dedicated to the Well(s) set forth in Exhibit A.
- 17. Operator is designated as operator of the Unit and the Well(s).
- 18. If the Surface Location or Bottom Hole Location of a well is changed from the location described in Exhibit A, Operator shall submit an amended Exhibit A, which the Division shall append to this Order.
- 19. If the location of a well will be unorthodox under the spacing rules in effect at the time of completion, Operator shall obtain the OCD's approval for a non-standard location before commencing production of the well.
- 20. The Operator shall commence drilling the initial well within one (1) year after the date of this Order; and (b) for an infill well, no later than thirty (30) days after completion of the well.

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- 21. Operator shall comply with the infill well requirements in 19.15.13.9 NMAC through 19.15.13.12 NMAC.
- 22. This Order shall terminate automatically if Operator fails to comply with Paragraphs 20 or 21.
- 23. Operator shall submit to OCD and each owner of a working interest in the pool ("Pooled Working Interest") an itemized schedule of estimated costs to drill, complete, and equip the well ("Estimated Well Costs") no later than: (a) for an initial well, no later than thirty (30) days after the date of this Order; (b) for an infill well proposed by Operator, no later than (30) days after the later of the initial notice period pursuant to 19.15.13.10(B) NMAC or the extension granted by the OCD Director pursuant 19.15.13.10(D) NMAC; or (c) for an infill well proposed by an owner of a Pooled Working Interest, no later than thirty (30) days after expiration of the last action required by 19.15.13.11 NMAC.
- 24. No later than thirty (30) days after Operator submits the Estimated Well Costs, the owner of a Pooled Working Interest shall elect whether to pay its share of the Estimated Well Costs or its share of the actual costs to drill, complete and equip the well ("Actual Well Costs") out of production from the well. An owner of a Pooled Working Interest who elects to pay its share of the Estimated Well Costs shall render payment to Operator no later than thirty (30) days after the expiration of the election period, and shall be liable for operating costs, but not risk charges, for the well. An owner of a Pooled Working Interest who fails to pay its share of the Estimated Well Costs or who elects to pay its share of the Actual Well Costs out of production from the well shall be considered to be a "Non-Consenting Pooled Working Interest."
- 25. No later than within one hundred eighty (180) days after Operator submits a Form C-105 for a well, Operator shall submit to OCD and each owner of a Pooled Working Interest an itemized schedule of the Actual Well Costs. The Actual Well Costs shall be considered to be the Reasonable Well Costs unless OCD or an owner of a Pooled Working Interest files a written objection no later than forty-five (45) days after receipt of the schedule. If OCD or an owner of a Pooled Working Interest files a timely written objection, OCD shall determine the Reasonable Well Costs after public notice and hearing.
- 26. No later than sixty (60) days after the later of the expiration of the period to file a written objection to the Actual Well Costs or OCD's order determining the Reasonable Well Costs, each owner of a Pooled Working Interest who paid its share of the Estimated Well Costs shall pay to Operator its share of the Reasonable Well Costs that exceed the Estimated Well Costs, or Operator shall pay to each owner of a Pooled Working Interest who paid its share of the Estimated Well Costs its share of the Estimated Well Costs that exceed the Reasonable Well Costs.

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- 27. The reasonable charges for supervision to drill and produce a well ("Supervision Charges") shall not exceed the rates specified in Exhibit A, provided however that the rates shall be adjusted annually pursuant to the COPAS form entitled "Accounting Procedure-Joint Operations."
- 28. No later than within ninety (90) days after Operator submits a Form C-105 for a well, Operator shall submit to OCD and each owner of a Pooled Working Interest an itemized schedule of the reasonable charges for operating and maintaining the well ("Operating Charges"), provided however that Operating Charges shall not include the Reasonable Well Costs or Supervision Charges. The Operating Charges shall be considered final unless OCD or an owner of a Pooled Working Interest files a written objection no later than forty-five (45) days after receipt of the schedule. If OCD or an owner of a Pooled Working Interest files a timely written objection, OCD shall determine the Operating Charges after public notice and hearing.
- 29. Operator may withhold the following costs and charges from the share of production due to each owner of a Pooled Working Interest who paid its share of the Estimated Well Costs: (a) the proportionate share of the Supervision Charges; and (b) the proportionate share of the Operating Charges.
- Operator may withhold the following costs and charges from the share of production due to each owner of a Non-Consenting Pooled Working Interest: (a) the proportionate share of the Reasonable Well Costs; (b) the proportionate share of the Supervision and Operating Charges; and (c) the percentage of the Reasonable Well Costs specified as the charge for risk described in Exhibit A.
- 31. Each year on the anniversary of this Order, and no later than ninety (90) days after each payout, Operator shall provide to OCD and each owner of a Non-Consenting Pooled Working Interest a schedule of the revenue attributable to a well and the Supervision and Operating Costs charged against that revenue.
- 32. Any cost or charge that is paid out of production shall be withheld only from the share due to an owner of a Pooled Working Interest. No cost or charge shall be withheld from the share due to an owner of a royalty interests. For the purpose of this Order, an unleased mineral interest shall consist of a seven-eighths (7/8) working interest and a one-eighth (1/8) royalty interest.
- 33. Except as provided above, Operator shall hold the revenue attributable to a well that is not disbursed for any reason for the account of the person(s) entitled to the revenue as provided in the Oil and Gas Proceeds Payment Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 70-10-1 et seq., and relinquish such revenue as provided in the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 7-8A-1 et seq.

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- 34. The Unit shall terminate if (a) the owners of all Pooled Working Interests reach a voluntary agreement; or (b) the well(s) drilled on the Unit are plugged and abandoned in accordance with the applicable rules. Operator shall inform OCD no later than thirty (30) days after such occurrence.
- 35. OCD retains jurisdiction of this matter for the entry of such orders as may be deemed necessary.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

ADRIENNE SANDOVAL DIRECTOR

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Date: <u>February 12, 2020</u>

Exhibit "A"

Applicant:

COG Operating LLC

Operator:

COG Operating LLC (OGRID 229137)

Spacing Unit:

Horizontal Oil

Building Blocks:

quarter-quarter section equivalents

Spacing Unit Size:

640 acres (more or less)

Orientation of Unit:

North/South

Spacing Unit Description:

Lots 1-2, S/2 NE/4, and the SE/4 (E/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 1, and the E/2 of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, Lea County, New Mexico

Pooling this Vertical Extent: Bone Spring Formation

Depth Severance? (Yes/No): No

Pool:

Pool Spacing Unit Size:

quarter-quarter sections

Governing Well Setbacks:

Horizontal Oil Well Rules

Pool Rules:

Latest Horizontal Rules Apply

Teas; Bone Spring (Pool code 58960)

Proximity Tracts:

Yes

Proximity Defining Well:

Well No. 504H is to be drilled closer than 330 feet from the

Proximity Tracts and therefore defines the Horizontal Spacing Unit.

Monthly charge for supervision: While drilling: \$7000 While producing: \$700 As the charge for risk, 200 percent of reasonable well costs.

Proposed Wells:

War Eagle Federal Com Well No. 504H, API No. 30-025-Pending

SHL: 100 feet from the South line and 590 feet from the East line, (Unit P) of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM. BHL: 50 feet from the North line and 1000 feet from the East line, (Lot 1) of Section 1, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM.

Completion Target: 2nd Bone Spring at approx 10272 feet TVD.

Well Orientation:

South to North

Completion Location expected to be: standard

War Eagle Federal Com Well No. 601H, API No. 30-025-Pending

SHL: 100 feet from the South line and 530 feet from the East line, (Unit P) of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM. BHL: 50 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line, (Lot 1) of Section 1, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM.

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Completion Target: 3rd Bone Spring Sand at approx 10887 feet TVD. Well Orientation: South to North

Completion Location expected to be: standard

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RE: Amendments to Compulsory Pooling Order Template

Dear Counsel:

The Oil Conservation Division ("OCD") has amended the compulsory pooling order template effective on April 1, 2020. The amended template is attached as Exhibit 1.

Prior to April 1, 2020, OCD issued compulsory pooling orders for the cases identified in Exhibit 2. To conform an order with the amended template, please file an application for a hearing.

If you have any questions about this letter, please call Eric Ames, Office of General Counsel, at (505) 476-3463.

Respectfully,

drienne Sandoval

Director

cc: Gabriel Wade, Deputy Director

Eric Ames, OGC-EMNRD

Scott Cox, OCD Engineering Bureau

EXHIBIT 1

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

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ORDER

The Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("OCD"), having heard this matter through a Hearing Examiner on [DATE], and after considering the testimony, evidence, and recommendation of the Hearing Examiner, issues the following Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. [NAME] ("Operator") submitted an application ("Application") to compulsory pool the uncommitted oil and gas interests within the spacing unit ("Unit") described in Exhibit A. The Unit is expected to be a standard horizontal spacing unit. 19.15.16.15(B) NMAC. Operator seeks to be designated the operator of the Unit.
- 2. Operator will dedicate the well(s) described in Exhibit A ("Well(s)") to the Unit.
- 3. Operator proposes the supervision and risk charges for the Well(s) described in Exhibit A.
- 4. Operator identified the owners of uncommitted interests in oil and gas minerals in the Unit and provided evidence that notice was given.
- 5. The Application was heard by the Hearing Examiner on the date specified above, during which Operator presented evidence through affidavits in support of the Application. No other party presented evidence at the hearing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 6. OCD has jurisdiction to issue this Order pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-17.
- 7. Operator is the owner of an oil and gas working interest within the Unit.

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
Santa Fe, New Mexico
Exhibit No. 3
Submitted by:
COG OPERATING LLC

Hearing Date: June 11, 2020

- 8. Operator satisfied the notice requirements for the Application and the hearing as required by 19.15.4.12 NMAC.
- 9. OCD satisfied the notice requirements for the hearing as required by 19.15.4.9 NMAC.
- 10. Operator has the right to drill the Well(s) to a common source of supply at the described depth(s) and location(s) in the Unit described in Exhibit A.
- 11. The Unit contains separately owned uncommitted interests in oil and gas minerals.
- 12. Some of the owners of the uncommitted interests have not agreed to commit their interests to the Unit.
- 13. The pooling of uncommitted interests in the Unit will prevent waste and protect correlative rights, including the drilling of unnecessary wells.
- 14. This Order affords to the owner of an uncommitted interest the opportunity to produce his just and equitable share of the oil or gas in the pool.

ORDER

- 15. The uncommitted interests in the Unit are pooled as set forth in Exhibit A.
- 16. The Unit shall be dedicated to the Well(s) set forth in Exhibit A.
- 17. Operator is designated as operator of the Unit and the Well(s).
- 18. If the Surface-Location or Bottom Hole Location of a well is changed from the location described in Exhibit A, Operator shall submit an amended Exhibit A, which the Division shall append to this Order.
- 19. If the location of a well will be unorthodox under the spacing rules in effect at the time of completion, Operator shall obtain the OCD's approval for a non-standard location before commencing production of the wellin accordance with 19.15.16.15(C) NMAC.
- 1920. The Operator shall commence drilling the Winitial well(s) within one year one (1) year after the date of this Order, and complete each Well no later than one (1) year after the commencement of drilling the Well; and (b) for an infill well, no later than thirty (30) days after completion of the well.
- 20. This Order shall terminate automatically if Operator fails to comply with Paragraph

 19 unless Operator obtains an extension by amending this Order for good cause

 shown.

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- 211. Operator shall comply with thThe infill well requirements in 19.15.13.9 NMAC through 19.15.13.12 NMAC shall be applicable.
- 22. This Order shall terminate automatically if Operator fails to comply with Paragraphs 20 or 21.
- 223. Operator shall submit to OCD and each owner of an uncommitted working interest in the pool ("Pooled Working Interest") an itemized schedule of estimated costs to drill, complete, and equip the well ("Estimated Well Costs"). no later than: (a) for an initial well, no later than thirty (30) days after the date of this Order; (b) for an infill well proposed by Operator, no later than (30) days after the later of the initial notice period pursuant to 19.15.13.10(B) NMAC or the extension granted by the OCD Director pursuant 19.15.13.10(D) NMAC; or (c) for an infill well proposed by an owner of a Pooled Working Interest, no later than thirty (30) days after expiration of the last action required by 19.15.13.11 NMAC.
- 234. No later than thirty (30) days after Operator submits the Estimated Well Costs-, the owner of a Pooled Working Interest shall elect whether to pay its share of the Estimated Well Costs or its share of the actual costs to drill, complete and equip the well ("Actual Well Costs") out of production from the well. An owner of a Pooled Working Interest who elects to pay its share of the Estimated Well Costs shall render payment to Operator no later than thirty (30) days after the expiration of the election period, and shall be liable for operating costs, but not risk charges, for the well. An owner of a Pooled Working Interest who fails to pay its share of the Estimated Well Costs or who elects to pay its share of the Actual Well Costs out of production from the well shall be considered to be a "Non-Consenting Pooled Working Interest."
- 245. No later than within one hundred eighty (180) days after Operator submits a Form C-105 for a well, Operator shall submit to OCD and each owner of a Pooled Working Interest an itemized schedule of the Actual Well Costs. The Actual Well Costs shall be considered to be the Reasonable Well Costs unless OCD or an owner of a Pooled Working Interest files a written objection no later than forty-five (45) days after receipt of the schedule. If OCD or an owner of a Pooled Working Interest files a timely written objection, OCD shall determine the Reasonable Well Costs after public notice and hearing.
- 256. No later than sixty (60) days after the later of the expiration of the period to file a written objection to the Actual Well Costs or OCD's order determining the Reasonable Well Costs, whichever is later, each owner of a Pooled Working Interest who paid its share of the Estimated Well Costs shall pay to Operator its share of the Reasonable Well Costs that exceed the Estimated Well Costs, or Operator shall pay to each owner of a Pooled Working Interest who paid its share

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of the Estimated Well Costs its share of the Estimated Well Costs that exceed the Reasonable Well Costs.

- 267. The reasonable charges for supervision to drill and produce a well ("Supervision Charges") shall not exceed the rates specified in Exhibit A, provided however that the rates shall be adjusted annually pursuant to the COPAS form entitled "Accounting Procedure-Joint Operations."
- 278. No later than within ninety (90) days after Operator submits a Form C-105 for a well, Operator shall submit to OCD and each owner of a Pooled Working Interest an itemized schedule of the reasonable charges for operating and maintaining the well ("Operating Charges"), provided however that Operating Charges shall not include the Reasonable Well Costs or Supervision Charges. The Operating Charges shall be considered final unless OCD or an owner of a Pooled Working Interest files a written objection no later than forty-five (45) days after receipt of the schedule. If OCD or an owner of a Pooled Working Interest files a timely written objection, OCD shall determine the Operating Charges after public notice and hearing.
- 289. Operator may withhold the following costs and charges from the share of production due to each owner of a Pooled Working Interest who paid its share of the Estimated Well Costs: (a) the proportionate share of the Supervision Charges; and (b) the proportionate share of the Operating Charges.
- 3029. Operator may withhold the following costs and charges from the share of production due to each owner of a Non-Consenting Pooled Working Interest: (a) the proportionate share of the Reasonable Well Costs; (b) the proportionate share of the Supervision and Operating Charges; and (c) the percentage of the Reasonable Well Costs specified as the charge for risk described in Exhibit A.
- 30. Operator shall distribute a proportionate share of the costs and charges withheld pursuant to paragraph 29 to each Pooled Working Interest that paid its share of the Estimated Well Costs.
- 31. Each year on the anniversary of this Order, and no later than ninety (90) days after each payout, Operator shall provide to OCD and each owner of a Non-Consenting Pooled Working Interest a schedule of the revenue attributable to a well and the Supervision and Operating Costs charged against that revenue.
- 323. Any cost or charge that is paid out of production shall be withheld only from the share due to an owner of a Pooled Working Interest. No cost or charge shall be withheld from the share due to an owner of a royalty interests. For the purpose of this Order, an unleased mineral interest shall consist of a seven-eighths (7/8) working interest and a one-eighth (1/8) royalty interest.

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- 334. Except as provided above, Operator shall hold the revenue attributable to a well that is not disbursed for any reason for the account of the person(s) entitled to the revenue as provided in the Oil and Gas Proceeds Payment Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 70-10-1 et seq., and relinquish such revenue as provided in the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 7-8A-1 et seq.
- 345. The Unit shall terminate if (a) the owners of all Pooled Working Interests reach a voluntary agreement; or (b) the well(s) drilled on the Unit are plugged and abandoned in accordance with the applicable rules. Operator shall inform OCD no later than thirty (30) days after such occurrence.
- 35. OCD retains jurisdiction of this matter for the entry of such orders as may be deemed necessary.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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ADRIENNE SANDOVAL DIRECTOR AES/xxx

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

APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING LLC TO CONFORM ORDER NO. R-21073 TO THE AMENDED ORDER TEMPLATE LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 21305

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
) ss.
COUNTY OF SANTA FE)

Michael Rodriguez, attorney and authorized representative of COG Operating LLC, the Applicant herein, being first duly sworn, upon oath, states that the above-referenced Applications were provided under the notice letters and proof of receipts attached hereto.

Michael Rodriguez

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 10th day of June 2020 by Michael Rodriguez.



BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Santa Fe, New Mexico

Case No. 21218 Exhibit No. 4

Submitted by:

COG OPERATING LLC

Hearing Date: June 11, 2020

Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LEA

I, Daniel Russell, Publisher of the Hobbs News-Sun, a newspaper published at Hobbs, New Mexico, solemnly swear that the clipping attached hereto was published in the regular and entire issue of said newspaper, and not a supplement thereof for a period of 1 issue(s).

> Beginning with the issue dated May 27, 2020 and ending with the issue dated May 27, 2020.

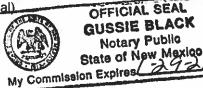
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Sworn and subscribed to before me this 27th day of May 2020.

Business Manager

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January 29, 2023 (Seal)



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LEGAL NOTICE May 27, 2020

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

The State of New Mexico through its Oil Conservation Division hereby gives notice pursuant to law and the Rules and Regulations of the Division of the following public hearing to be held at 8:15 A.M. on June 11, 2020. During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, state buildings are closed to the public and hearings will be conducted remotely. To participate in the electronic hearing, see the instructions posted on the OCD Hearings website: http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/OCD/announcements.html. If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing, please contact: Florene Davidson at 505-476-3458 or through the New Mexico Relay Network, 1-800-659-1779 by June 2, 2020. Public documents, including the agenda and minutes, can be provided in various accessible formats. Members of the public may obtain copies of the docket by contacting Ms. Davidson at the phone number indicated above. Also, the docket will be posted on the Oil Conservation Division website at www.emnrd.state.nm.us/OCD/. Please contact Ms. Davidson if a summary or other type of accessible form is needed.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: All named parties and persons having any right, title, interest or claim in the following case and notice to the public.

(NOTE: All land descriptions herein refer to the New Mexico Principal Meridian whether or not so stated.)

To: All working interest owners, overriding royalty interest owners, unleased mineral interest owners, and pooled parties, including: Chesapeake Exploration LP; Fasken Land & Minerals, Ltd.; Marathon Oli Permian, LLC; Novo Oli & Gas Northern Delaware LLC; Prime Rock Resources Agent Co., inc., as nominee f/b/o Prime Rock Resources, LLC.

Case 21305: Application of COG Operating LLC to conform order no. R-21090 to the amended order template, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order from the Division for the limited purpose of conforming Division Order No. R-21090 to the amended order template described in the Letter of the Division Director dated April 9, 2020 (RE: Amendments to Compulsory Pooling Order Template). Order No. R-21090, as issued in Case No. 20854, created a 640-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit consisting Lots 1-2, S/2NE/4, and the SE/4 (E/2 equivalent) of Irregular Section 1, and the E/2 of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico and pooled all uncommitted interests within the Teas; Bone Spring Pool (Pool Code: 58960) underlying the unit.

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May 22, 2020

<u>VIA CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

TO ALL INTEREST OWNERS SUBJECT TO POOLING PROCEEDINGS

Re: <u>Case No. 21305</u>: Application of COG Operating, LLC for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. War Eagle 504H, 601H Wells

To whom it may concern:

This letter is to advise you that COG Operating LLC has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. The hearing will be conducted on **June 11**, 2020 beginning at 8:15 a.m.

During the COVID-19 Pubic Health Emergency, state buildings are closed to the public and hearings will be conducted remotely. To participate in the electronic hearing, see the instructions posted on the OCD Hearings website: http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/OCD/announcements.html. You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging the matter at a later date.

Pursuant to Division Rule 19.135.4.13.B, parties appearing in a case are required to file a prehearing Statement at least four business days in advance of a scheduled hearing, but in no event later than 5:00 p.m. mountain time, on the Thursday preceding the scheduled hearing date. The statement must be filed at the Division's Santa Fe office or electronically submitted to ocd.hearings@state.nm.us and should include: the names of the parties and their attorneys, a concise statement of the case, the names of all witnesses the party will call to testify at the hearing, the approximate time the party will need to present its case, and identification of any procedural matters that are to be resolved prior to the hearing.

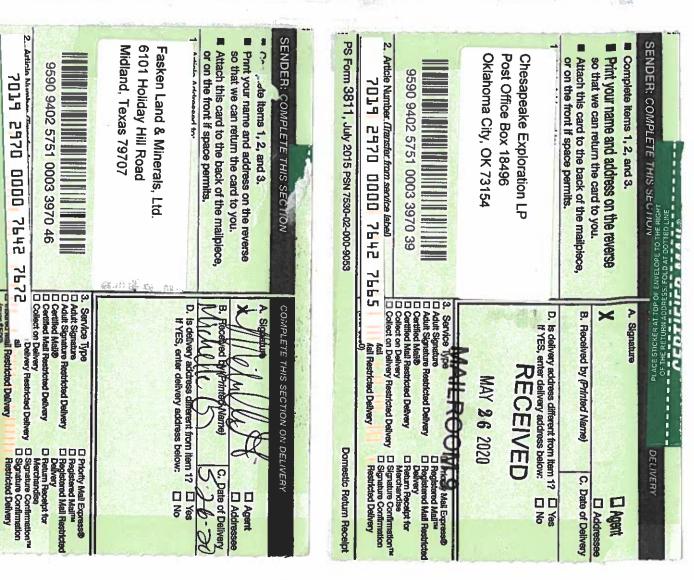
If you have any questions about this matter, please contact Grant Bohls at (432) 818-2379 or gbohls@concho.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ Michael Rodriguez

Michael Rodriguez
Attorney for COG Operating LLC





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