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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL PERMIAN, LLC TO POOL ADDITIONAL PARTIES UNDER THE TERMS OF ORDER NO. R-20966, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 21213 ORDER NO. R-20996-A

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.

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STATEMENT OF CASE

In Case 21213, Marathon requested that Order No. R-20996, entered in Case Number 16381, be re-opened for the limited purpose of pooling additional parties under Order No. R-20996. Case 21213 was heard by the Division on April 30, 2020. No-one, other than Marathon, appeared on the record before Case. 21213 was taken under advisement by the Division. No-one objected to Case 21213 after it was taken under advisement. On May 7, 2020, the Division entered Order R-20996-A, granting Marathon's application in Case 21213. After the order was issued, Sugar Creek Resources, LLC filed untimely and improper motions challenging Order No. R-20996-A. Because Sugar Creek Resources, LLC was not a party to the case, did not otherwise seek to participate in Case 21213, and cannot demonstrate that its interests, if any, will be impacted by Order R-20996-A, Sugar Creek's challenges to Order R-20996-A lack merit and should be denied.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

MARATHON:

WITNESS

ESTIMATED TIME

EXHIBITS

None

Approx. 20

Approx. 6

PROCEDURAL ISSUES

The Division set this case for hearing on July 9, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served on counsel of record by electronic mail on July 2, 2020:

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