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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case No. 14,700

and

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Case No. 14,699

### **AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO )

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COUNTY OF SANTA FE )

CAROL LEACH, attorney and authorized representative of COG Operating LLC, the Applicant herein, being first duly sworn, upon oath states that the notice provisions of the Rules and Regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division have been complied with, that Applicant has caused to be conducted a good-faith, diligent effort to find the correct addresses of all interested persons entitled to receive notice, as shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto, and that pursuant to the directive of the Division, notice has been given at the correct addresses or last known addresses provided by such rules.

CAROL LEACH

OCD COG EXHIBIT 4 CASE NOS. 14699 AND 14700 Subscribed and sworn to before me by Carol Leach on this 2nd day of August, 2011.

My commission expires:

1-31-2015



Notary Public

# **EXHIBIT "A"**

Leland Price, Inc. Attention: Betty A. Price 1511 Northgate Place Artesia, NM 88210

First American Bank Attention: Thomas Mitchell, Account Manager 303 W. Main Street Artesia, NM 88210

#### **EXHIBIT "B"**

- 1. Correspondence from COG Operating LLC to First American Bank dated April 19, 2011 regarding request for term assignment/well proposal Kiowa State #1 Well
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Attn: Thomas Mitchell, Account Manager

Re: Request for Term Assignment/ Well Proposal - Klowa State #1 Well

T17S, R27E, Section 36: SENW, SWNE

1,665' FNL & 2,205' FWL or in a Legal Location within Unit F (SENW)

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Artesia, NM 88210	S. Service Type  Cardified Mail	
2. Article Number 91 7199 9991 70		



I also would like to advise you that title into the Wheatley devisees is somewhat unclear and requires curative. I am attaching an excerpt from our title opinion explaining the nature of the title issue.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 432-221-0308.

Yours Truly,

**COG Operating LLC** 

Brandon K. Gaynor Landman

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This requirement will affect the interest beginning with Richard W. Wheatley and Sarah Wheatley, Co-Trustees, down through the interest of Barbara Bentwood McCahan. Rex Wheatley and wife, Florence Wheatley, were the owners at one time of 3/48 of the leasehold estate. While I am reasonably certain that the ownership of these parties is as set forth, there are some difficulties with family leasehold title conveyances which should be cleared up.

First, there is a Conveyance from Rex and Florence Wheatley to Barbara W. McDowell dated January 19, 1978, recorded Volume 160, Page 386, which indicates an intention to convey everything in the E/2NW/4 of Section 36 to the grantee although there is an indication that it may be intended only to be an overriding royalty conveyance.

On August 20, 1978, the same Rex Wheatley and wife conveyed to their daughter, Barbara W. McDowell, by Deed recorded Volume 161, Page 701, all of their interest in captioned lands, although the document is entitled "Assignment of Overriding Royalty". The Deed contained this statement "meaning and intending to convey to said Barbara W. McDowell all right, title and interest that we may have in and to the lands and the oil and gas and hydrocarbon substances in and under the lands herein described". Again, this document was entitled "Assignment of Overriding Royalty" and referred to a decimal of .00082008 although it is not clear what the parties really intended to do.

I believe that the Wheatleys actually thought they owned only some overriding royalties at that time while they really owned the 3/48 interest in depths between 2,000 and 5,000 feet.

Then, the Estate of Rex Wheatley devised all of his interest to the First National Bank of Artesia as Trustee for the benefit of his four children and any children of deceased child. The wife's Will was not probated which would leave her predeceasing her husband and dying intestate which would mean the entire estate would be passed to Rex Wheatley so that his Will would govern.

There are many subsequent conveyances by the Bank as Trustee to devisees of this estate but taken together, they do not all convey the interest in captioned lands as to the depths covered by this opinion so that it is necessary to have title come out of the bank as Trustee.

There is also the problem of the Deeds to the daughter, Barbara W. McDowell, which may have covered the entire interest although it was not intended to do so.

Also, the Wheatley devisees all signed Special Agency Agreements in 2007 with First National Bank of Artesia, Artesia, New Mexico, to collect runs and to have broad powers to deal with these interests which I would assume would include signing an operating agreement as well as make conveyances. These Agency Agreements have not been cancelled of record and may, therefore, be in full force and effect.

T17S-R27E-Section 36	
TA to cover the	
Wheatley devisees'	
6.25% WI & 5.078% NRI From 2,000' to 5,000'	
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#### COG OPERATING LLC AUTHORITY FOR EXPENDITURE DRILLING

WELL NAME: KIOWA STATE #1 LOCATION: SEC36-T17S-R27E UL -	F	PROSPE	CTN	AME: LOGAN DRA	AW
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INTANGIBLE COSTS		BCP		ACP	TOTAL
Title/Curative/Permit	201				10,000
insurance	202		-		3,800
Damages/Right of Way Survey/Stake Location	_ 203		303		0
Location/Pits/Road Expense	204 205				2,500
Drilling / Completion Overhead	- 203 208				35,000
Turnkey Contract	207		307	2,000	4,500 D
Foolage Contract	208		308		
Daywork Contract	209				77,000
Directional Dritting Services Fuel & Power	_ 210 211	18,500	310 311		0
Water	- 212			1,000 32,000	19,500 54,000
Bits	213	25,000		500	25,500
Mud & Chemicals	214	10,000			10,000
Onlit Stem Test Coring & Analysis	215		315		
Cement Surface	218 217	14,090	•		- 0
Coment intermediate \$1	218	12,000			14,000
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Cement Production	_		319	28,500	28,500
Cement Squeeze	- 220	A 62.2	320		0
Float Equipment & Centralizers  Cesting Crews & Equipment	221	2,500 6,000	321	2,000	4,500
Fishing Tools & Service	- 223	0,000	323	4,000	10,800
Geologic/Engineering	224	1,000	324		1,000
Contract Labor	225	3,000	325	16,000	18,000
Company Supervision	228	40.500	326		0
Contract Supervision Testing Casing/Tubing	227 228	10,500 3,000	327 328	1,800	15,500 4,800
Mud Logging Unit	229	3,000	329	1,000	3,000
Logging	230	15,000	335	<del></del>	15,000
Perforating/Wireline Services	231		331	22,000	22,000
Stimulation/Treating (4 fracs)			332	358,000	358,000
Completion Unit	-		333 334	20,000	20,000
Swabbling Unit Rentals-Surface	235	7,000	335	38,000	43,000
Rentals-Subsurface	238	24,000	338	7,000	31,000
Trucking/Fork#I/Rig Mobilization	237	30,000	337	4,000	34,000
Welding Services	238	3,000	338	1,000	4,000
Water Disposal Plug to Abandon	239 240		339 340	3,000	3,000
Selsmic Analysis	241		341		
Closed Loop & Environmental	244	50,000	344		50,008
Miscellaneous	242		342		0
Contingency 5%	243	20,700 408,000	343	28,400	49,100 963,000
TOTAL INTANGIBLES	•	400,000		577,000	300,000
TANGIBLE COSTS					
Surface Casing	401	11,000			11,000
Intermediate Casing #1	402	14,000			14,000
Intermediate Casing #2			503	52,000	52,000
Production Casing/Liner Tubing	•		504	29,000	29,000
Welihead Equipment	405	8.000	605	3,000	9,000
Pumping Unit			508 607	97,000	97,000
Prima Mover			507 508	22,000	22,000
Rods Pumps	•		509	4,500	4,500
Tanks	-		510	4,000	4,000
Flowlines	•		511	15,000	15,000
Heater Treater/Separator			512 513	6,000 20,000	6,000 20,000
Electrical System	414		514	900	900
Packers/Anchors/Hangers Couplings/Fittings/Valves	415	600	515	15,000	15,500
Gas Compressors/Meters			518		0
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Dehydrator	•		518		1,000
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April 19, 2011

Leland Price Inc. 1511 Northgate Place Artesia, NM 88210

Attn: Betty A. Price

Request for Term Assignment/ Well Proposal - Klowa State # Well

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SHL 1,425' FNL & 1,520' FEL or in a Legal Location within Unit G (SWNE) BHL 1,650' FNL & 1,650' FEL or in a Legal Location within Unit G (SWNE)

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Dear Ms. Price:

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This Term Assignment offer will terminate 90 days from today's date and is subject to the approval of COG's management. A check of the records indicated that Leland Price Inc. has a 1/24 Interest.

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	Leland Price Inc.'s 4.166% WI & 3.385% NRI From 2,000' to 5,000'		
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# COG OPERATING LLC AUTHORITY FOR EXPENDITURE

		DRILLING			
WELL NAME: KIOWA STATE #3		PROSPEC	CT N	AME: LOGAN DRAW	
LOCATION: SEC38-T17S-R27E		COUNTY	& ST	ATE: EDDY COUNTY	
SHL: 1425' FNL & 1520' FEL UL - G		OBJECTIV	<u>/E:</u>	Dir. Blinebry Paddocl	( (4 fracs) 4850°
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COG Operating LLC					
By: C. Bird / J. Coffman		Data Prepared:		4/15/11	
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We approve:					
% Before Tanks /% After Tanks					
•					
Company:					
By:					
Printed Name:					

This AFE is only an estimate. By signing you agree to pay your share of the actual costs incurred.



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I also would like to advise you that title into the Wheatley devisees is somewhat unclear and requires curative. I am attaching an excerpt from our title opinion explaining the nature of the title issue.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 432-221-0308.

Yours Truly,

**COG Operating LLC** 

Brandon K. Gaynor Landman

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This requirement will affect the interest beginning with Richard W. Wheatley and Sarah Wheatley, Co-Trustees, down through the interest of Barbara Bentwood McCahan. Rex Wheatley and wife, Florence Wheatley, were the owners at one time of 3/48 of the leasehold estate. While I am reasonably certain that the ownership of these parties is as set forth, there are some difficulties with family leasehold title conveyances which should be cleared up.

First, there is a Conveyance from Rex and Florence Wheatley to Barbara W. McDowell dated January 19, 1978, recorded Volume 160, Page 386, which indicates an intention to convey everything in the E/2NW/4 of Section 36 to the grantee although there is an indication that it may be intended only to be an overriding royalty conveyance.

On August 20, 1978, the same Rex Wheatley and wife conveyed to their daughter, Barbara W. McDowell, by Deed recorded Volume 161, Page 701, all of their interest in captioned lands, although the document is entitled "Assignment of Overriding Royalty". The Deed contained this statement "meaning and intending to convey to said Barbara W. McDowell all right, title and interest that we may have in and to the lands and the oil and gas and hydrocarbon substances in and under the lands herein described". Again, this document was entitled "Assignment of Overriding Royalty" and referred to a decimal of .00082008 although it is not clear what the parties really intended to do.

I believe that the Wheatleys actually thought they owned only some overriding royalties at that time while they really owned the 3/48 interest in depths between 2,000 and 5,000 feet.

Then, the Estate of Rex Wheatley devised all of his interest to the First National Bank of Artesia as Trustee for the benefit of his four children and any children of deceased child. The wife's Will was not probated which would leave her predeceasing her husband and dying intestate which would mean the entire estate would be passed to Rex Wheatley so that his Will would govern.

There are many subsequent conveyances by the Bank as Trustee to devisces of this estate but taken together, they do not all convey the interest in captioned lands as to the depths covered by this opinion so that it is necessary to have title come out of the bank as Trustee.

There is also the problem of the Deeds to the daughter, Barbara W. McDowell, which may have covered the entire interest although it was not intended to do so.

Also, the Wheatley devisees all signed Special Agency Agreements in 2007 with First National Bank of Artesia, Artesia, New Mexico, to collect runs and to have broad powers to deal with these interests which I would assume would include signing an operating agreement as well as make conveyances. These Agency Agreements have not been cancelled of record and may, therefore, be in full force and effect.

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#### COG OPERATING LLC AUTHORITY FOR EXPENDITURE DRILLING

WELL NAME: KIOWA STATE #3		PROSPEC	T N	AME: LOGAN DR	AW
LOCATION: SEC36-T17S-R27E				ATE: EDDY COU	NTY, NM
SHL: 1425' FNL & 1520' FEL UL-G BHL: 1650' FNL & 1650' FEL UL-G		OBJECTIV	/E:	Dir. Blinebry Pad	dock (4 fracs) 4850'
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INTANGIBLE COSTS		BCP		ACP	TOTAL
Title/Curative/Permit	201	10,000		HOL	10,000
insurance	202	3,800	302		3,800
Damages/Right of Way	203		303		0
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Fuel & Power	211	20,000	311	1,030	21,000
Water Bits	212	22,000	312		54,000
Mud & Chemicals	213 214	25,000	313	500	25,500 10,000
Drill Stern Test	215	10,000	318	<del></del>	10,000
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Fishing Tools & Service	223		323		0
Geologic/Engineering	224	1,000	324	72.77	1,000
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Testing Casing/Tubing	228	3,000	328	1,800	4,800
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April 19, 2011

Leland Price Inc. 1511 Northgate Place Artesla, NM 88210

Attn: Betty A. Price

Request for Term Assignment/ Well Proposal - Klowa State #3 Well

T17S, R27E, Section 36: SENW, SWNE

SHL 1,425' FNL & 1,520' FEL or in a Legal Location within Unit G (SWNE) BHL 1,650' FNL & 1,650' FEL or in a Legal Location within Unit G (SWNE)

Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Price:

COG Operating LLC (COG) respectfully requests a term assignment from Leland Price Inc. covering Leland Price Inc.'s interest in the SENW and SWNE of Section 36, T17S, R27E, Eddy County, NM, in those depths from 2,000' below the surface of the earth to 5,000' below the surface of the earth.

COG offers the following general terms:

· Three year term.

\$400.00 per net acre cash consideration.

Leland Price Inc. to deliver a 75% NRI, proportionately reduced.

This Term Assignment offer will terminate 90 days from today's date and is subject to the approval of COG's management. A check of the records indicated that Leland Price Inc. has a 1/24 Interest.

In the event that Leland Price Inc. does not wish to assign the subject lands, COG, as Operator, proposes to drill the Klowa State # 3 well at the above-captioned location, or a legal location within Unit G of Section 36, T-17-S, R-27-E, to a depth of approximately 4,850' to test the Blinebry/Paddock Formation ("Operation"). The total cost of the Operation is estimated to be \$1,417,000 and a detailed description of such cost is set out in the enclosed Authority for Expenditure ("AFE").

Also enclosed is COG's proposed form of Operating Agreement ("OA"). A completed version of the Exhibit "A" to be incorporated into the OA will follow under separate cover, accompanied by a fully executed set of signature pages.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 432-221-0308.

Yours Truly,

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First American Bank 303 W. Main St. Artesia, NM 88210 Special Agent for:

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Claire Jeanne Carter, Trustee of Claire Jeanne Carter Trust

Richard W. Bentwood and Jean Bentwood, Co-Trustees of Bentwood Revocable Trust

Dr. John N. Bentwood

Barbara Bentwood McCahan

Attn: Thomas Mitchell, Account Manager

Re: NMOCD Case No 14699: Application of COG Operating LLC for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Price:

This letter advises you that COG Operating LLC (COG) has filed an application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) for an order providing for the compulsory pooling of all interests in those depths from 2,000 feet below the surface of the earth to 5,000 feet below the surface within Unit G of Section 36, T-17S, R27-E. COG proposes to drill the Kiowa State # 3 well at a surface hole location of 1,425' FNL and 1,520' FWL, or other legal location, within Unit G (SWNE) to a depth of approximately 4,850 feet below ground level to test the Blinebry/Paddock Formations. The bottom hole location is proposed at 1,650' FNL and 1,650' FEL, or other legal location within Unit G. The producing interval of the well will be entirely within the producing area.

Also to be considered will be the designation of COG as the operator and provisions for COG to recover its well costs including the reasonable costs of drilling, reworking, diverting, deepening, plugging back, testing, completing, recompleting and equipping the well, its costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, including overhead charges and providing for adjustments to such rates in accordance with accepted COPAS accounting procedures, and imposing a 200% risk factor for the risk COG assumes in drilling, equipping and completing the well, and making such other and further provisions as may be appropriate.

The Application is enclosed for your convenience.

This application will be set for hearing before a Division Hearing Examiner on August 4, 2010, beginning at 8:15 a.m. at the Porter Hall Hearing Room, New Mexico Oil Conservation Division of the Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, 1220 South St, Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico. You are not required to attend this hearing. As an owner of an interest that may be affected by the outcome you may appear and present testimony and evidence in accord with OCD Rules. If you intend to present testimony or evidence, you must enter your appearance and serve the Division, counsel for COG, and other parties who have entered an appearance with a pre-hearing statement at least four business days before the scheduled hearing. The specific requirements for pre-hearing statements may be found in OCD Rule 19.15.4.13.

Very truly yours,

BEATTY & WOZNIAK, P.C.

Carol/Leach

Attorneys for COG Operating LLC

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

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 14699

### <u>APPLICATION</u>

COG OPERATING LLC (COG), by and through its counsel, Beatty & Wozniak, P.C., herby makes application pursuant to the OCD Rules and NMSA 1978 Section 70-2-17 (1995) for an order providing the following:

Pooling all interests in those depths from 2,000 feet below the surface of the earth to 5,000 feet below the surface within Unit G of Section 36, T-17S, R27-E.

In support of the Application COG states:

- 1. COG owns certain working interests in and under the approximately 40-acre spacing unit in Section 36 as described above and has the right to drill there.
- 2. COG proposes to drill the Kiowa State # 3 well at a surface hole location of 1,425' FNL and 1,520' FWL, or other legal location, within Unit G (SWNE) to a depth of approximately 4,850 feet below ground level to test the Blinebry/Paddock Formations. The bottom hole location is proposed at 1,650' FNL and 1,650' FEL, or other legal location within Unit G. The producing interval of the well will be entirely within the producing area.
- 3. COG does not have leases or agreements for voluntary pooling or farmouts from certain other interests owners in the above referenced depths below Unit G located as described above.
- 4. In order for COG to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, the mineral interests should be pooled and COG should be designated by the Oil Conservation Division as the operator of the well.
- 5. The pooling of mineral interests will provide the opportunity for COG to produce its just and fair share of the oil or gas, or both, avoid the drilling on unnecessary wells, protect correlative rights and prevent waste.

WHEREFORE, COG requests that this application be set for hearing on August 4, 2011, or as it may be continued, before the OCD Hearing Examiners, or at a special hearing date to be

determined, and that after notice and hearing as required by law and OCD Rules, the Division enter its Order approving the pooling of the lands described above into one spacing or proration unit, including provisions for COG to recover its well costs including the reasonable costs of drilling, reworking, diverting, deepening, plugging back, testing, completing, recompleting and equipping the well, its costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, including overhead charges and providing for adjustments to such rates in accordance with accepted COPAS accounting procedures, and imposing a 200% risk factor for the risk COG assumes in drilling, equipping and completing the well, and making such other and further provisions as may be appropriate.

Respectfully submitted this 29th day of June, 2011.

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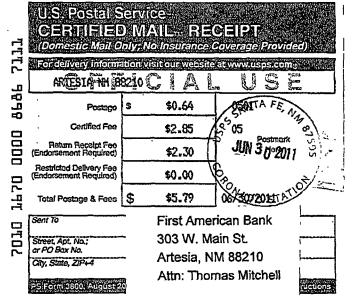
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COUNSEL FOR COG OPERATING LLC

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_: Application of COG Operating LLC for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order for the compulsory pooling of all interests in those depths from 2,000 feet below the surface of the earth to 5,000 feet below the surface within Unit G of Section 36, T-17S, R27-E. The Applicant proposes to directionally drill the Kiowa State # 3 well at a surface hole location of 1,425' FNL and 1,520' FWL, or other legal location, within Unit G (SWNE) to a depth of approximately 4,850 feet below ground level to test the Blinebry/Paddock Formations. The bottom hole location is proposed at 1,650' FNL and 1,650' FEL, or other legal location within Unit G. The producing interval of the well will be entirely within the producing area. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the costs thereof, the actual operating costs, charges for supervision, designation of COG Operating LLC as operator and a charge for the risk involved in drilling the well. The proposed well and lands are located approximately ten miles east and three miles south of Artesia, New Mexico.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 14689

#### APPLICATION

COG OPERATING LLC (COG), by and through its counsel, Beatty & Wozniak, P.C., herby makes application pursuant to the OCD Rules and NMSA 1978 Section 70-2-17 (1995) for an order providing the following:

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Respectfully submitted this 29th day of June, 2011.

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# ViaCertified Mail Return Receipt Requested

Leland Price Inc. 1511 Northgate Place Artesia, NM 88210

Attn: Betty A. Price

Re: NMOCD Case No 14700: Application of COG Operating LLC for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Price:

This letter advises you that COG Operating LLC (COG) has filed an application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) for an order providing for the compulsory pooling of all interests in those depths from 2,000 feet below the surface of the earth to 5,000 feet below the surface within Unit F of Section 36, T-17S, R27-E. COG proposes to drill the Kiowa State # 1 well at 1,665' FNL and 2,205' FWL, or other legal location, within Unit F (SENW) to a depth of approximately 4,850 feet below ground level to test the Blinebry/Paddock Formations. Also to be considered will be the designation of COG as the operator and provisions for COG to recover its well costs including the reasonable costs of drilling, reworking, diverting, deepening, plugging back, testing, completing, recompleting and equipping the well, its costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, including overhead charges and providing for adjustments to such rates in accordance with accepted COPAS accounting procedures, and imposing a 200% risk factor for the risk COG assumes in drilling, equipping and completing the well, and making such other and further provisions as may be appropriate.

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CASE NO. 14100 CLUE 29 P 24

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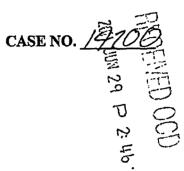
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