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

# APPLICATIONS OF COLGATE OPERATING, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case No. 22395 Case No. 22396 Case No. 22397 Case No. 22398

# APPLICATIONS OF APACHE CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case No. 21851 Case No. 21852 Case No. 21853 Case No. 21854

#### **PRE-HEARING ORDER**

This Pre-Hearing Order follows a status conference held on December 2, 2021, before an Oil Conservation Division ("Division") Hearing Examiner ("Examiner"), in which the hearing date was agreed to by all parties. After the status conference, Colgate Operating, LLC ("Colgate") filed an Unopposed Motion for Continuance and Consolidation requesting Case Nos. 22395 through 22398 be consolidated with the above listed Apache Corporation cases and replace Colgate Case Nos. 21825 and 21826. The above referenced cases will be consolidated for hearing and any prior hearing dates will be continued.

1. The hearing will commence on February 17, 2022 following the completion of the Division's regular hearing docket and continue as necessary through completion.

2. The hearing will be recorded and transcribed by a court reporter.

3. The hearing will be conducted using the virtual meeting platform; sign-in information will be sent to the parties closer to the date of the hearing. The Examiner may modify the format of the hearing consistent with the available resources and public distancing directives in place at the time of the hearing.

4. The parties shall file, with the pre-hearing statement required by 19.15.4.13.B NMAC, the following additional information, all of which is due by 5 p.m. no later than seven (7) calendar days before the hearing:

- a. a list of material facts not in dispute;
- b. a list of disputed facts and issues;
- c. identification of the witnesses and their qualifications; and

d. a full narrative of the direct testimony and exhibits for each witness.

5. Any evidentiary objections to the filed direct testimony or any exhibit shall be filed by 5 p.m. no later than two (2) calendar days before the hearing and will be addressed at the commencement of the hearing.

6. All witnesses filing direct testimony shall attend the hearing and will be subject to cross examination by counsel for the parties and the Division Examiners.

7. Any requests for continuances or status conferences shall be filed in writing through the Division fee portal.

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William R. Brancard

WILLIAM R. BRANCARD HEARING EXAMINER Date: December 9, 2021