## STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DEVISION PM 4 49

# IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 13372

# APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. FOR APPROVAL OF AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO DRILL A WELL IN THE POTASH AREA, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

### PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Pre-Hearing Statement is submitted by Holland & Hart LLP, as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

### **APPEARANCES OF PARTIES**

#### APPLICANT

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## **STATEMENT OF CASE**

## APPLICANT

Applicant seeks an order approving the drilling of its proposed Apache 24 Fee Well No. 7A within the Potash Area at an unorthodox well location 1460 feet from the North line and 1150 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 24, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. This well will be drilled to an approximate depth of 15,500 to as a wildcat well to test the Devonian formation.

## PROPOSED EVIDENCE

### APPLICANT

WITNESSES	ESTIMATED TIME	EXHIBITS
Ken Gray (Landman)	Approx. 20 Minutes	Approx. 8
Jim Blount (Operations Engineer)	Approx. 15 Minutes	Approx 6
Mineral Owner	Approx. 10 Minutes	Approx. 2

### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Devon has filed a motion for an order re-instating /granting applications for permits to drill and dismissing the objection of IMC Minerals/Mosaic Potash to the Apache Fee Wells No. 6, 7 and s7A.

Devon Energy Production Company, L.P., will request that Case Nos. 13368, 13369 and 13372 be consolidated for purposes of hearing.

William F. Carr

Attorney for Devon Energy Production Company, L.P.

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I have caused a copy of the foregoing pleading to be delivered to Gail McQuesten, Esq. Attorney for the Oil Conservation Division by Hand Delivery, Dan Morehouse, Mosaic Potash by facsimile [Fax No. (505) 887-0589] and to Charles C. High Jr., Esq., Kemp, Smith, Duncan & Hammond, P.C., attorney for Mosaic Potash, by facsimile [Fax No. (915) 546-5360] on this 24th day of November 2004.

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# IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

## CASE NOS. 13367, 13368, 13369, and 13372

## APPLICATIONS OF BASS ENTERPRISES PRODUCTION CO. and DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. FOR ORDERS AUTHORIZING THE DRILLING OF SPECIFIC WELLS IN THE POTASH AREA, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Prc-Hearing Statement is submitted by Mosaic Potash Carlsbad Inc. as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

#### **APPEARANCES OF PARTIES**

#### APPLICANTS

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## STATEMENT OF CASE

# OPPOSITION POSITION

Drilling wells at the proposed locations will result in an undue waste of polash. Bach location can be developed from alternate locations.

# PROPOSED EVIDENCE

## **OPPOSITION**

WITNESSES

ESTIMATED TIME

EXHIBITS

Dan Morchouse, Mine Engineering Superintendent Approx. 20 Minutes

Approx. 8

Dan Morchouse Mine Engineering Superintendent

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have sent a copy of the foregoing pleading by facsimile to Gail McQuesten, Esq., Assistant General Counsel for the Oil Conservation Division [Fax. No. (505) 476-3462], William F. Carr, Holland & Hart, LLP, attorney for the Applicants [Fax. No. (505) 983-6043], and to Charles C. High, Jr., Esq., Kemp Smith, LJ.P, attorney for the Opposition [Fax. No. (915) 546-5360] on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of November 2004.

Dan Morehouse