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

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

APPLICATION OF TEXLAND PETROLEUM, L.P. FOR A COMPLIANCE ORDER AGAINST LATIGO PETROLEUM, INC. VOIDING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DHC-3086, COMPULSORY POOLING, CHANGE OF OPERATOR AND OTHER RELIEF, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

**CASE 13494** 

# **PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

Texland Petroleum, L.P. submits this pre-hearing statement as required by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

# **APPEARENCES OF THE PARTIES**

## APPLICANT

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#### **OPPONENT**

Latigo Petroleum, Inc.

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#### STATEMENT OF THE CASE

## APPLICANT:

By its First Amended Application, Texland Petroleum, L.P. seeks a Compliance Order, including fines, against Latigo Petroleum, Inc. ("Latigo") including an order to void and revoke Administrative Order DHC-3086, and to require Latigo to immediately shut-in its Conoco State Well No. 3 (API No. 30-025-35961) located in Unit J of Section 33, T18S, R38E, Lea County New Mexico until such time as: (i) a standard 160-acre gas spacing unit consisting of the SE/4 of this section, is dedicated to this well in the Tubb formation, Hobbs-Tubb Gas Pool, (ii) the production proceeds from this well in the Tubb and Drinkard formations are reallocated and paid to the owners in these spacing units from the date of first production, and (iii) paid the fines for violations of the Gas and Gas Act. Section 70-2-31 NMSA 1978. Further, applicant seeks a compulsory pooling order including provisions for designation of the applicant as the operator and the removal of Latigo as the operator.

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## **PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

APPLICANT

WITNESSES

James H. Wilkes (P.E.)

Richard Strickland (P.E.)

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# **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

None and this time.

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OTH CUT BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

# APPLICATION OF TEXLAND PETROLEUM, L.P. FOR AN ORDER TO VOID AND REVOKE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DHC-3086 AND FOR A COMPLIANCE ORDER AGAINST LATIGO PETROLEUM, INC. REQUIRING IT TO IMMEDIATELY SHUT-IN THE CONOCO STATE WELL NO. 3, COMPULSORY POOLING, REMOVAL OF OPERATOR, AND OTHER RELIEF, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 13,494

# LATIGO PETROLUM, INC.'S ENTRY OF APPEARANCE AND UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR A CONTINUANCE

#### A. <u>ENTRY OF APPEARANCE</u>.

James Bruce enters his appearance on behalf of Latigo Petroleum, Inc. ("Latigo").

#### B. MOTION FOR A CONTINUANCE.

In addition, Latigo moves the Division for an order continuing this case to the June 16, 2005 Examiner hearing. In support thereof, Latigo states:

1. Latigo and Texland Petroleum, L.P. ("Texland") are discussing settlement of this matter, and a continuance may help in those discussions.

2. Counsel for Texland has been contacted regarding this request, and has agreed to a continuance.

WHEREFORE, Latigo requests that Case No. 13494 be continued to the June 16<sup>th</sup> Examiner hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing pleading was served upon the following counsel of record this 2/7 the day of May, 2005 in the manner indicated:

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