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ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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**IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION
COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF
CONSIDERING:**

**APPLICATION OF LINN OPERATING, INC. TO
AMEND COMMISSION ORDER NO. R-11980-A
REGARDING THE EAST HOBBS SAN ANDRES
UNIT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

Case No. 15284

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by Linn Operating, Inc. as required by the Oil Conservation Commission.

APPEARANCES

APPLICANT

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OPPONENT

OPPONENT'S ATTORNEY

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

APPLICANT

Commission Order No. R-11980-A approved the East Hobbs San Andres Unit, a statutory unit, for the purpose of instituting a pressure maintenance project within the East Hobbs-San Andres Pool. The unit covers portions of Sections 29-32, Township 18 South, Range 39 East, NMPM.

Applicant seeks an order amending Order No. R-11980-A to eliminate Ordering Paragraph 9, which required that no fresh water be used as make-up water or otherwise be injected. Applicant intends to institute a carbon dioxide flood in the unit at a future date, but to do so needs to re-pressurize or fill up the reservoir, and the best and possibly only way to do so is to use fresh water from the City of Hobbs water system.

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PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES

EST. TIME

EXHIBITS

Robert B. Sullivan
(engineer)

30 min.

Approx. 4

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PROCEDURAL MATTERS

-None-

Respectfully submitted,



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