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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ENERGEN RESOURCES CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF THE AMARILLO CANYON UNIT, CREATION OF A NEW POOL FOR HORIZONTAL DEVELOPMENT, AND ESTABLISHING 330 FOOT EXTERIOR BOUNDARY SET BACKS FOR COMPLETED INTERVALS FOR HORIZONTAL WELLS WITHIN THE UNIT, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 15410

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO)	
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COUNTY OF SANTA FE)	

J. SCOTT HALL, attorney and authorized representative of Energen Resources Corporation, the Applicant in this matter, being first duly sworn, upon oath states that he sent copies of this Application to the parties as specified on the attached Exhibit A.

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J. SCOTT HALL

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 1st day of December, 2015.

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires:



CASE NO. 15410 EXHIBIT 16



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November 10, 2015

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

- TO: ALL OFFSETTING OPERATORS AND AFFECTED PARTIES ON THE ATTACHED LIST
 - Re: NMOCD CASE NO. 15410: IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ENERGEN RESOURCES CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF THE AMARILLO CANYON UNIT, CREATION OF A NEW POOL FOR HORIZONTAL DEVELOPMENT, AND ESTABLISHING 330 FOOT EXTERIOR BOUNDARY SETBACKS FOR COMPLETED INTERVALS FOR HORIZONTAL WELLS WITHIN THE UNIT, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is to advise you that Energen Resources Corporation Inc. has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (the "Division") and requested that this matter be scheduled for hearing before an Examiner at 8:15 a.m. on December 3, 2015. The hearing will be held in Porter Hall in the Oil Conservation Division's Santa Fe Offices located at 1220 South Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505. You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony in accordance with the provisions of Division Rule 1.9.15.4.10B. and C. NMAC. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging the matter at a later date.

Parties desiring to appear in this case and present evidence are required by Division Rule 19.15.4.13 NMAC to file a pre-hearing statement on or before 5:00 p.m. on the Thursday preceding the scheduled hearing date. The pre-hearing statement must be filed at the Division's Santa Fe office at the above specified address and an additional copy provided to my office. The pre-hearing statement must include: the name of the party and their attorneys; a concise statement of the party's position in the matter; the names of all witnesses the party will call to testify at the hearing; the approximate time

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the party will need to present its case; and identification of any procedural matters that are to be resolved prior to the hearing.

Very truly yours, T.) on YCK J. Scott Hall

Enclosures: Notice List Application

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EXHIBIT A

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(See attached list)

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APPLICATION

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORPORATION; ("Energen"), by its undersigned attorneys, Montgomery and Andrews, P.A. (J. Scott Hall), hereby makes application pursuant to *inter-alia* Rule 19,15,20,14 NMAC of the Division's Rules and regulations for an order providing as follows; (A) Approving Energen's Amarillo Canyon Unit; (B) Creating a new pool for horizontal development within the Unit Area; and (C) Providing that the completed intervals of horizontal wells within the Unit Area may be setback no closer than 330 feet from the exterior boundaries of the Unit.

In support, Energen states:

1. Energen's proposed Amarillo Canyon Unit is comprised of 3,838.08 acres of federal, state and Indian allotted lands. A plat of the Unit Area is attached as Exhibit A and these lands are described by tract as follows:

Township 27 North, Range 13 West N.M.P.M., San Juan County

Sec. 11: NE/4 NE/4 Sec. 2: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S/2 NE/4 & SW/4 Sec. 3: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S/2 N/2 & S/2 Sec. 10: ALL Sec. 11: W/2, W2 E/2, E/2 SE/4, NE/4 Sec. 2: W/2 SE/4 Sec. 2: E/2 SE/4 Sec. 1: Lots 1, 2, S/2 NE/4, N/2 SE/4, SW/4 SE/4 Sec. 1: SE/4 SE/4 Sec. 2: S/2 NW/4 Sec. 1: Lots 3, 4, S/2 NW/4, SW/4 (W/2) Sec. 12: E/2 Sec. 12: SW/4 Sec. 12: NW/4

.2. Energen has prepared a Unit Agreement and a Unit Operating Agreement providing for the supervision and management of the Unit, as well as the allocation and payment of the costs of unit operations. Energen is designated Unit Operator in the Unit Agreement for the Amarillo Canyon Unit. The Unit Agreement has been approved by a sufficient percentage of the interest owners within the proposed Unit Area to provide effective control of unit operations:

3. Energen has presented the proposed unit to the Bureau of Land Management, the Federal Indian Minerals Office and the New Mexico State Land Office. Energen expects to receive preliminary approval of the Unit Agreement from these agencies.

4. Energen proposes to drill one or more horizontal wells within the Unit Area with completed intervals located no closer than 330 feet of the outer boundaries of the unit. The entire Unit Area will be developed and operated as a single Participating Area.

5. The vertical limits of the Unitized Formation within the proposed Unit Arca include the intervals which extend from the stratigraphic equivalent of the top of the Mancos Formation located at a depth of 4,270' to the base of the Greenhorn (i.e. Graneros) Formation at a depth of 5,797 feet as encountered in the Energen Resources Navajo-D No. 1-E Well (API No. 30-045-254040000)' located in NW/4-SW/4 of Section 1, Township 27 North; Range 13 West, N.M.P.M. in San Juan County.

6. The entirety of the Unit Area lands are located within the Basin-Mancos Gas Pool (97232; Order No. R-12984). The special pool rules for the Basin-Mancos Gas pool do not

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specify acreage dedication and well location requirements for oil wells, but make applicable those-rules for certain pools located within two miles of an oil or associated pool identified in Paragraphs 3 or 4 of Order R-12984. Portions of the Unit Area lands are located are adjacent to the boundary areas of the Amarillo-Gallup Associated Pool (22619; Order No. R-5353); but that pool is not among those pools identified in Paragraphs 3 or 4 of Order No. R-12984 and consequently, the rules for that pool may not be extended to the Unit Area lands. Most of the oil wells that were drilled in these pools after their establishment were vertical wells. The inconsistent well location and acreage dedication requirements for these pools are incompatible with the establishment of a rational and efficient development pattern for horizontal wells.

7. To allow for the most efficient horizontal well, development pattern and to effectively drain the reserves in the Unitized Formation in the Unit Area, Energen requests that the Division establish a new pool for horizontal development within the Amarillo Canyon Unit that is coterminous with the Unitized Formation and provides for the drilling of horizontal wells within the Unit Area with completed intervals located no closer, than 330 feet of the outer boundaries of the unit in accordance with statewide rules for oil wells. The new pool should be designated as the Amarillo Canyon Unit Hz Oil Pool.

8. Notice of this Application will be provided to the affected parties in the spacing units offsetting the proposed Unit Area, as well as the working interest owners and Indian Allottees within the unitized area. Energen will also publish notice of this Application in a local newspaper of general circulation in both San Juan County and the Navajo Nation.

9. Approval of this Application and creation of a new pool for horizontal development in the unitized area will afford the Applicant appropriate flexibility in the

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placement and operation of wells, will increase the ultimate recovery of hydrocarbon reserves and will not impair correlative rights:

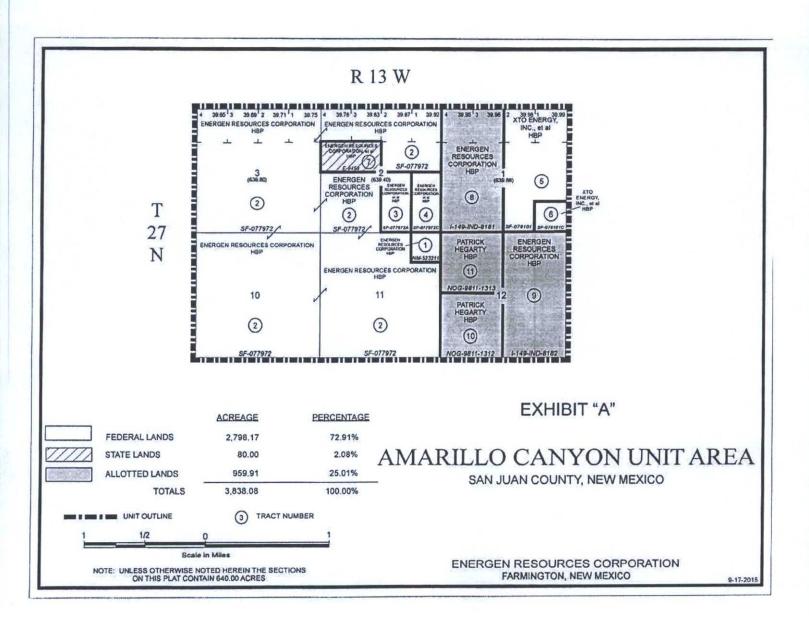
WHEREFORE Applicant requests that this Application be set for hearing before a duly appointed hearing examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on December 3, 2015 and that after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its Order granting this Application and providing such further relief as the Division deems appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

MONTGOMERY & ANDREWS, P.A.

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