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Pronghorn B3B #1H
FedCom
15601

November 1, 2016

Florene Davidson
Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
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Dear Florene:

Enclosed for filing, on behalf of Mewbourne Oil Company, are an application for compulsory pooling, *etc.*, together with a proposed advertisement. Please set the application for the December 1, 2016 Examiner hearing. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

James Bruce
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Attorney for Mewbourne Oil Company

BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

**APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY
FOR A NON-STANDARD OIL SPACING AND
PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

Case No. _____

APPLICATION

Mewbourne Oil Company applies for an order (i) approving a non-standard oil spacing and proration unit in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the W $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 15, Township 23 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico, and (ii) pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the non-standard unit, and in support thereof, states:

1. Applicant is an interest owner in the W $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 15, and has the right to drill a well thereon.
2. Applicant proposes to drill its Pronghorn 15 B3BO Fed. Com. Well No. 1H to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation. Applicant seeks to dedicate the W $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 15 to the well to form a non-standard 160 acre oil spacing and proration unit (project area) in the Bone Spring formation. The well is a horizontal well, with a surface location in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, and a terminus in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, of Section 15.
3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the Bone Spring formation in the W $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 15 for the purposes set forth herein.
4. Although applicant attempted to obtain voluntary agreements from all mineral interest owners to participate in the drilling of the well or to otherwise commit their interests to the well, certain interest owners have failed or refused to join in dedicating their interests.

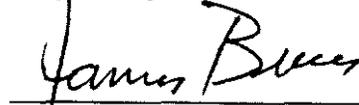
Therefore, applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interest owners in the Bone Spring formation in the W½E½ of Section 15, pursuant to NMSA 1978 §§70-2-17, 18.

5. Approval of the non-standard unit and the pooling of all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the W½E½ of Section 15 will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, applicant requests that, after notice and hearing, the Division enter its order:

- A. Approving a non-standard oil spacing and proration unit (project area) in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the W½E½ of Section 15;
- B. Pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the E½W½ of Section 15;
- C. Designating applicant as operator of the well;
- D. Considering the cost of drilling and completing the well, and allocating the cost among the well's working interest owners;
- E. Approving actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure; and
- F. Setting a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the well.

Respectfully submitted,



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PROPOSED ADVERTISEMENT

Case No. 15601 _____:

Application of Mewbourne Oil Company for a non-standard oil spacing and proration unit and compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Mewbourne Oil Company seeks an order approving a 160-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit (project area) in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the W/2E/2 of Section 15, Township 23 South, Range 34 East, NMPM. Applicant further seeks the pooling of all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the W/2E/2 of Section 15. The unit will be dedicated to the Pronghorn 15 B3BO Fed. Com. Well No. 1H, a horizontal well with a surface location in the NW/4NE/4, and a terminus in the SW/4SE/4, of Section 15. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well. The unit is located approximately 17-1/2 miles southwest of Oil Center, New Mexico.

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Attached are an application and proposed ad (2 of 3) I am filing for Mewbourne.

Jim