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**Re: CASE NO. 15908 (RE-OPENED)
CASE NO. 15909 (RE-OPENED)**

**APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL PERMIAN
LLC TO AMEND ORDER R-14598 AND R-14599 TO
ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR COMPLETION
OPERATIONS, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

Dear Ms. Davidson:

Enclosed please find three copies of the following:

1. Marathon's Application / Flowmaster – No. 15908 & No. 15909

Thank you for your assistance. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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

APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL PERMIAN LLC TO AMEND
ORDER R-14598 AND R-14599 TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR
COMPLETION OPERATIONS, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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APPLICATION

Marathon Oil Permian LLC ("Marathon"), OGRID Number 372098, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of N.M. Stat. Ann. § 70-2-17, for an order: (1) amending Order R-14598 to allow for additional time to complete wells; and (2) amending Order R-14599 to allow for additional time to complete wells. In support of this application, Marathon states:

1. Marathon is an interest owner in the subject lands and has a right to drill a well thereon.
2. Order No. R-14598 approved the creation of a non-standard proration unit covering the Bone Springs formation underlying the W/2 W/2 of Section 15, Township 24 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, and pooled all uncommitted interests underling this unit. Marathon plans to complete the **Flowmaster 24 34 15 SB Well No. 4H, and the Flowmaster 24 34 15 TB Well No. 5H** wells within the proration unit.
3. Order No. R-14599 pooled all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the spacing and proration unit located within the E/2 W/2 of Section 15, Township 24 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. Marathon plans to drill and complete the **Flowmaster 24 34 15 SB Well No. 8H** within the proration unit.

4. Under both orders, the Division requires Marathon to complete specified wells within 120 days after the wells are drilled. Due to the rising demand for completion crews and completion plans for the Wolfcamp formation in this area, Marathon requests an extension of one (1) year between the time when the wells are drilled and the completion of the first well.

5. Notice of this application is being given in accordance with Division rules.

WHEREFORE, Marathon requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on September 20, 2018, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

A. Amend Order No. 14598 to allow for a one year period between when the well(s) are drilled under that order and required to be completed;

B. Amend Order No. 14599 to allow for a one year period between when the well(s) are drilled under that order and required to be completed;

Respectfully submitted,

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CASE NO. _____: Application of Marathon Oil Permian LLC to Amend Order R-14598 and R-14599 to Allow Additional Time for Completion Operations, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order (1) amending Order R-14598 to allow additional time to complete wells; and (2) amending Order R-14599 to allow additional time to complete wells. These orders allow for the drilling and completion of the **Flowmaster 24 34 15 SB Well No. 4H, and the Flowmaster 24 34 15 TB Well No. 5H** within the Bone Spring formation in the W/2 W/2 of Section 15, Township 24 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico and the **Flowmaster 24 34 15 SB Well No. 8H** within the Bone Spring formation in the E/2 W/2 of Section 15, Township 24 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. Said area is located approximately 17 miles northwest of Jal, New Mexico.