## BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 20671

## **APPLICATION**

Mewbourne Oil Company applies for an order pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the N/2N/2 of Section 11 and the N/2N/2 of Section 12, Township 19 South, Range 28 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support thereof, states:

- Applicant is an interest owner in the N/2N/2 of Section 11 and the N/2N/2 of Section 12, and has the right to drill a well thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill the Bourbon Red B3DA State Com. Well No. 1H to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation, and to dedicate N/2N/2 of Section 11 and the N/2N/2 of Section 12 thereto. The well is a horizontal well with a first take point in the NW/4NW/4 of 11 and a final take point in the NE/4NE/4 of Section 12.
- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the N/2N/2 of Section 11 and the N/2N/2 of Section 12 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 underlying the N/2N/2 of Section 11 and the N/2N/2 of Section 12, pursuant to NMSA 1978 §§70-2-17.

5. The pooling of all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the N/2N/2 of Section 11 and the N/2N/2 of Section 12 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. Pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the N/2N/2 of Section 11 and the N/2N/2 of Section 12;
- B. Designating applicant as operator of the well;
- C. Considering the cost of drilling and completing the wells, and allocating the cost among the well's working interest owners;
- D. Approving actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure; and
- E. 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 wells.

Respectfully submitted,

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