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

APPLICATION OF XTO DELAWARE BASIN, LLC TO AMEND ORDER NO. R-20249 BY EXCLUDING FEDERAL UNIT ACREAGE FROM HORIZONTAL SPACING UNIT, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 20919 ORDER NO. R-21194

### **ORDER**

The Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("OCD"), having heard this matter through a Hearing Examiner on January 23, 2020, and after considering the record and the recommendation of the Hearing Examiner, issues the following Order.

## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. XTO Delaware Basin, LLC ("XTO") submitted an application ("Application") to amend Division Order No. R-20249 ("Pooling Order"), which was issued to Novo Oil and Gas Northern Delaware, LLC ("Novo") on November 27, 2018.
- 2. The Pooling Order pooled the mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation in a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the S/2 of Section 4 and the S/2 of Section 5, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, which are dedicated to the Rana Salada Fed. Com. 0504 Well No. 234H ("Well Unit").
- 3. The Application proposed to amend the Pooling Order to exclude the N/2 SE/4 of Section 4 of Township 23 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, which is located within the Big Eddy Unit and leased to XTO.
- 4. XTO mailed and published notice for the Application and the hearing as required by 19.15.4 NMAC.
  - 5. Novo entered an appearance through counsel.
  - 6. Novo filed a motion to dismiss the Application.
- 7. At the hearing, Novo notified OCD and XTO that it withdrew its motion to dismiss and stipulated to the relief requested by XTO.

## **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 8. OCD has jurisdiction to issue this Order pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-17.
- 9. XTO complied with the applicable notice requirements for the Application and the hearing.

### **ORDER**

- 1. The Application is granted, and the Pooling Order is amended to exclude N/2 SE/4 of Section 4, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, from Novo's Well Unit.
- 2. The Pooling Order, as amended, includes only the SW/4 and S/2 SE/4 of Section 4 and the S/2 of Section 5, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, containing 560 acres, more or less.
- 3. Novo shall submit to OCD an amended Form C-102 for the Rana Salada Fed. Com. 0504 Well No. 133H consistent with this Order.
- 4. Novo shall submit an application for a nonstandard location for the Rana Salada Fed. Com. 0504 Well No. 133H.
- 5. OCD retains jurisdiction of this matter for the entry of such orders as may be deemed necessary.

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ADRIENNE SANDOVAL

**DIRECTOR** 

Date: 3/4/2020