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

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO 3789

APPLICATION OF OXY USA WTP LIMITED PARTNERSHIP FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Pre-Hearing Statement is submitted by Holland & Hart LLP as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

APPLICANT

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STATEMENT OF CASE

Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Morrow, Atoka and Strawn formations developed on 320-acre spacing and proration units in the W/2 of Section 35, Township 17 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico which includes but is not necessarily limited to the North Illinois Camp-Morrow Gas Pool. OXY proposes to dedicate the above-referenced spacing or proration units to its Admiral Federal Well No. 1 that has been drilled at a standard gas well location 660 feet from the North line and 1310 feet from the West line (Unit D) of said Section 35. Also to be

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considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately eight miles southeast of Artesia, New Mexico.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES

ESTIMATED TIME

EXHIBITS

(Name and Expertise)

David Evans (Land)

Approx. 10 Minutes

Approx. 6

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership has none at this time.

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