

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

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**APPLICATION OF THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION, THROUGH THE ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE MANAGER, FOR A COMPLIANCE ORDER AGAINST J. WARREN HANSON D/B/A HANSON ENERGY FINDING THAT THE OPERATOR IS IN VIOLATION OF 19.15.4.201 NMAC AS TO TWENTY-FIVE WELLS, REQUIRING OPERATOR TO BRING THE WELLS INTO COMPLIANCE BY A DATE CERTAIN, AND IN THE EVENT OF NON-COMPLIANCE ASSESSING PENALTIES AND AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION TO PLUG THE WELLS AND FORFEIT THE APPLICABLE FINANCIAL ASSURANCE, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. 14053**

**ENTRY OF APPEARANCE AND  
PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

The Oil Conservation Division submits this entry of appearance and pre-hearing statement pursuant to OCD Rule 1211 [19.15.14.1211 NMAC].

**APPEARANCES**

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**STATEMENT OF THE CASE**

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) seeks a compliance order against J. Warren Hanson, dba Hanson Energy (Hanson).

Hanson operates 188 wells in New Mexico. The 25 Hanson wells identified in the application appear on the inactive well list as wells inactive for a continuous period in excess of one year plus 90 days, that are not plugged and are not on approved temporary abandonment status. The OCD seeks an order finding that the 25 wells identified in the application are in violation of 19.15.4.201 NMAC, requiring the operator to return the wells to compliance by a date certain, and authorizing the OCD to plug the wells and forfeit the applicable financial assurance(s) if Hanson fails to meet the deadline set by the order. The OCD does not seek assessment of a penalty at this time, but will move for penalties if Hanson does not meet the deadline set in the order.

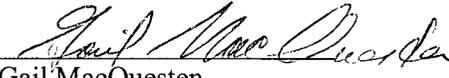
### APPLICANT'S PROPOSED EVIDENCE

WITNESS:	ESTIMATED TIME:
Daniel Sanchez, Enforcement and Compliance Manager	30 minutes
Jane Prouty, Automation and Records Bureau	10 minutes
Dorothy Phillips, Financial Assurance Administrator	by affidavit

### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

None.

Respectfully submitted  
this 30<sup>th</sup> day of January 2008 by

  
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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing pleading was faxed to Mr. Kevin Hanratty this 30<sup>th</sup> day of January 2008.

  
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