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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ARMSTRONG ENERGY CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A UNIT AGREEMENT, CHAVES **COUNTY, NEW MEXICO** 

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ARMSTRONG ENERGY CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A WATERFLOOD PROJECT FOR ITS ROUND TANK-QUEEN WATERFLOOD UNIT AND QUALIFICATION OF SAID PROJECT FOR THE RECOVERED OIL TAX RATE PURSUANT TO THE ENHANCED OIL RECOVERY ACT, CHAVEZ, COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**CASE NO.'s 14341 & 14342 (Consolidated)** 

## **AFFIDAVIT**

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COUNTY OF SANTA FE	)

William F. Carr, attorney in fact and authorized representative of Armstrong Energy Corporation, the Applicant herein, states that notice of the above-referenced Application was mailed to the interested parties shown on Exhibit "B" attached hereto in accordance with Oil Conservation Division Rules, and that true and correct copies of the notice letter and proof of notice are attached hereto.

SUBCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this day of July 2009 by William F. Carr.

My Commission Expires:

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Santa Fe, New Mexico Case No. 14341 & 14342 (Consolidated) Exhibit No. Submitted by:

ARMSTRONG ENERGY CORPORATION
Hearing Date: July 23, 2009

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# **EXHIBIT B**

# **NOTICE LIST**

# SURFACE OWNERS AND LEASEHOLD OPERATORS ARMSTRONG ENERGY CORPORATION ROUND TANK QUEEN WATERFLOOD PROJECT **CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

### **SURFACE OWNER**

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Slash Exploration Limited Partnership c/o Armstrong Energy Corporation Post Office Box 1973 Roswell, New Mexico 88202-1973

Lobos Energy Partners, LLC 3817 NW Expressway #950 Oklahoma city, Oklahoma 73112

Marshall & Winston, Inc. Post Office Box 50880 Midland, Texas 79710



June 23, 2009

## **CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

TO: ALL AFFECTED INTEREST OWNERS IN THE ROUND TANK-QUEEN WATERFLOOD UNIT AREA.

Re: Application of Armstrong Energy Corporation. for Approval of a Waterflood Project for its Round Tank-Queen Waterflood Unit Area and Qualification of said project for the Recovered Oil Tax Rate pursuant to the Enhanced Oil Recovery Act, Chaves County, New Mexico.

### Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is to advise you that Armstrong Energy Corporation has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division seeking authority to implement secondary recovery operations in its proposed Round Tank-Queen Unit Area. A copy of this application with attached Oil Conservation Division Form C-108 is enclosed for your information.

This application has been set for hearing before a Division Examiner at 8:15 AM on July 23, 2009. The hearing will be held in Porter Hall, in the Oil Conservation Division's Santa Fe Offices located at 1220 South Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505. You are not required to attend this hearing but, as the owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging this matter at a later date.

Parties appearing in cases are required by Division Rule 1208.B to file a Pre-Hearing Statement with the Oil Conservation Division's Santa Fe office located at 1220 South Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, three days in advance of a scheduled hearing. This statement must include: the names of the parties and their attorneys; a concise statement of the case; the names of all witnesses the party will call to testify at the hearing; the approximate time the party will need to present its case; and identification of any procedural matters that are to be resolved prior to the hearing.

William F. Carr

Attorney for Armstrong Energy Corporation

cc: Bruce Stubbs, Armstrong Energy Corporation
Oil Conservation Division District Office - Artesia

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I, Christina E. Stock Legals Clerk

Of the Roswell Daily Record, a daily newspaper published at Roswell, New Mexico do solemnly swear that the clipping hereto attached was published in the regular and entire issue of said paper and not in a supplement thereof for a period of:

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Clerk

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

The State of New Mexico through its Oil Conservation Division hereby gives notice pursuant to law and the Rules and Regulations of the Division of the following public hearing to be held at 8.15 A.M. on July 23, 2009, in the Oil Conservation Division Hearing Room at 1220 South St. Francis, Santa Fe, New Mexico, before an examiner duly appoint for the hearing. If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified, sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing, please contact. Florene Davidson at 505-476-3458 or through the New Mexico Relay Network, 1-800-659-1779 by July 13, 2009. Public documents including the agenda and minutes, can be provided in various accessible forms. Please contact Florene Davidson it a summary, or other type of accessible form is needed.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO:
All named parties and persons;
having any right, title, interest
or claim in the following cases:
and notice to the public:

(NOTE: All land descriptions herein refer to the New Mexico Principal Meridian whether or not so stated.):

CASE NO. 14341:

Application of Amstrong Energy: Corporation for approval of a Unit Agreement, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of the Round Tank-Queen Waterflood Unit for an area comprising 1922.72 acres of State of New Mexico and Federal lands located in portions of Sections 24 and 25 of Township 15 South, Range 28 East and Sections 19 and 30 of Township 15 South, Range 29 East M.M.P.M. which is located approximately 13 miles northwest of Loco Hills, New Mexico.

Given under the Seal of the State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division at Santa Fe, New Mexico on this 25th day of June 2009.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Mark E. Fesmire, P.E., Director

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: All named parties and persons having any right, title, interest or claim in the following cases and notice to the public.

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CASE NO. 14342:

Application of Armstrong Energy Corporation for approval of a Waterflood Project for its Round Tank-Queen Waterflood Unit Area and Qualification of said Project for the Recovered Oil Tax Rate Pursuant to the Enhanced Oil Recovery Act, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of its Round Tank-Queen Unit Waterflood Project comprised of 1922.72 acres, more or less of State and Federal lands located in Chaves County, New Mexico, more particularly described as follows:

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TOWNSHIP 15 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, NMPM

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Applicant seeks authorization to inject water into the Queen formation, Round Tank-Queen Pool, through its proposed Round Tank Federal Well No. 1 to be drilled 715 feet from the North line and 825-feet from East line of Section 30, Township 15 South, Range 29 East, NMPM. Applicant further proposes to inject up to 200 barrels of water per day at a maximum pressure of 300 psi, into the Queen formation, at an approximate depth of 1575 feet to 1590 feet.

The applicant requests that the Division establish procedures for the administrative approval of additional injection wells within the project area without the necessity of further hearings and the adoption of such other provisions as are necessary for said waterflood operations. Applicant further seeks to qualify the project area for the Recovered Oil Tax Rate pursuant to the "New Mexico Enhanced Oil Recovery Act" (Laws 1992, Chapter 38, Sections 1 through 5). Said unit is located approximately 13 miles northwest of Loco Hills, New Mexico.

Given under the Seal of the State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division at Santa-Fe, New Mexico on this 25th day of June 2009.

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