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

APPLICATION OF THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION, THROUGH THE ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE MANAGER, FOR A COMPLIANCE ORDER AGAINST NACOGDOCHES OIL AND GAS, INC. [OGRID 256689], FINDING THAT THE OPERATOR IS IN VIOLATION OF 19.15.8.9 NMAC AS TO 39 WELLS & 19.15.25.8 AS TO 121 WELLS; REQUIRING OPERATOR TO POST THE REQUIRED SINGLE-WELL FINANCIAL ASSURANCES FOR THE 39 NON-COMPLIANT WELLS BY A DATE CERTAIN; REQUIRING OPERATOR TO BRING THE 121 INACTIVE WELLS BACK INTO COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 19.15.25.8 BY A DATE CERTAIN; AND IN THE EVENT OF NON-COMPLIANCE WITH ANY ASPECT OF THE ORDER, ORDERING THE OPERATOR TO PLUG ALL REFERENCED WELLS BY A DATE CERTAIN, OR ALTERNATIVELY, AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION TO DO SO, FORFEITING ANY APPLICABLE BONDS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 70-2-14(B) NMSA 1978.

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BASIC STATEMENT OF APPLICATION:

COMES NOW the Oil Conservation Division, and respectfully presents this, its Application for an Order finding that Nacogdoches Oil and Gas, Inc. ("NOG") is in violation of OCD Rules 19.15.25.8 and 19.15.8.9 NMAC regarding the wells more specifically identified herein and requiring NOG to either bring all such wells into full compliance with OCD Rules or plug all subject wells, or in the event that Operator fails to do so, pursuant to Section 70-2-14(B) NMSA 1978, authorizing the Division to plug all specified wells and forfeit any applicable financial assurance. In support of these requests, the Division states as follows:

I. RELEVANT LEGAL AUTHORITY

- 1. **Division Rule 19.15.25.8 NMAC** requires an operator to plug and abandon or temporarily abandon a well in accordance with Division rules within 90 days after a period of one year of continuous inactivity.
- 2. **Division Rule 19.15.8.9 NMAC** requires that Operators post additional financial assurances/one-well financial assurances for wells that have been inactive/in temporary abandonment for more than two years, with the amounts of such single-well financial assurances being based upon the total depth of the well involved. The Rule went into full effect as of January 1, 2008.

3. **NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-14(B)** provides:

If any of the requirements of the Oil and Gas Act [70-2-1 NMSA 1978] or the rules promulgated pursuant to that act have not been complied with, the oil conservation division, after notice and hearing, may order any well plugged and abandoned by the operator or surety or both in accordance with division rules. If the order is not complied with in the time period set out in the order, the financial assurance shall be forfeited.

II. BACKGROUND INFORMATION RELEVANT TO BOTH ISSUES

- 4. NOG is a corporation operating wells in New Mexico under the OGRID 256689.
- 5. NOG currently operates a total of 183 wells in the state of New Mexico, all located in McKinley County.

6. NOG has posted a \$50,000 blanket bond, (letter of credit bond

number LOCA27617T) through Compass Bank, 24 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1601,

Houston, TX 77046, pursuant to OCD Rule 19.15.8.9 NMAC.

On March 25, 2008, NOG contacted the OCD regarding financial

assurances due for wells then-listed as being operated by Mountain States

Petroleum. NOG advised that it had acquired all of the wells previously

operated by Mountain States and was in the process of evaluating the wells and

formulating a plan to address the numerous inactive and noncompliant wells,

including the issue of outstanding bonding. In order to obtain approval from the

OCD for the "Change of Operator" from Mountain States to NOG, NOG was

required to post all then-due additional financial assurances on the wells

acquired from Mountain States.

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8. On April 11, 2008 OCD Counsel contacted Mike Finley of NOG by

email to follow up regarding the recently conducted telephone discussion

regarding NOG's acquisition of Mountain State's wells and regarding financial

assurance issues. In the course of that conversation, Mr. Finley informed the

OCD that a number of the wells were being actively reworked, including the

swabbing of some of these wells, resulting in the production of some amount of

oil and/or gas. Finley stated that NOG planned to submit documentation

reflecting this activity to the OCD as a means of establishing that not all of the

wells listed were, in fact, "inactive" such that they would require additional

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bonding under OCD Rules. At that time, OCD records reflected that a total of <u>72</u> wells required additional bonding (in a total amount of <u>\$489,071</u>). NOG was required to post these bonds before the operator transfer could be approved.

9. On May 5, 2008, NOG provided the OCD with a "Well Producing Status" Report dated April 26, 2008 for the Mountain States Petroleum Hospah Lease. The Status Report identified a number of wells that NOG described as "producing." Included on that list of "producing" wells, however, were the below-listed three (3) wells, which were not actually producing and are, in fact, still inactive (having not reported production for a period of at least one year plus 90 days), and are in violation of Rule 19.15.25.8 NMAC.

- a. Santa Fe Railroad A #074
- b. Hospah Sand Unit #028
- c. Hospah Sand Unit #050
- 10. The Status Report further indicated that the inactive *Santa Fe* Railroad wells were anticipated to be back online May 25, 2008, the *Lone Pine Dakota* wells to be back in production by July 1, 2008, and the remaining *Hospah Sand Unit* wells to be back in production by August 1, 2008.
- 11. On May 19, 2008 OCD counsel contacted Mike Finley of NOG via email to follow up regarding the timeline and information provided in the Status Update, and also provided Finley/NOG with a comprehensive discussion of options for forward with effectuating the bond posting and the transfer of operatorship of the wells from Mountain States to NOG. The correspondence

provided detailed information regarding what NOG would need to provide to the OCD to successfully rebut the presumption of inactivity for purposes of the additional bonding that was being required for a number of the wells.

- 12. Mr. Finley responded to OCD counsel's email the same day (May 19, 2008), confirming receipt and indicating he would respond substantively after obtaining an engineering consultation.
- 13. NOC did submit some documentation to initially rebut the presumption of inactivity for some of the wells, and finally posted single-well financial assurances for 20 of its idle wells (those for which NOG did not submit such documentation) on or about <u>September 24, 2008</u>.
- 14. The transfer of operatorship of wells from Mountain States to NOG was approved by the OCD on November 6, 2008.
- 15. As discussed in further detail in Section III, below, NOG has still neither properly reported production for, nor, alternatively, posted the required single-well financial assurances required for the 39 wells specifically identified in Section III at Paragraph 16.
 - III. ARGUMENT: ISSUE NO. 1 NOG'S VIOLATION OF RULE 19.15.8.9

 NMAC FINANCIAL ASSURANCE NONCOMPLIANCE
- 16. NOG is the Operator of Record of the following <u>39</u> wells in New Mexico, all of which are state or fee wells:

 HOSPAH SAND UNIT #015
 30-031-05207
 HOSPAH SAND UNIT #025
 30-031-05212

 HOSPAH SAND UNIT #017
 30-031-05213
 HOSPAH SAND UNIT #027
 30-031-05214

 HOSPAH SAND UNIT #019
 30-031-05203
 HOSPAH SAND UNIT #028
 30-031-05216

HOSPAH SAND UNIT #029	30-031-05225
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #032	30-031-05224
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #035	30-031-05222
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #052	30-031-05182
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #095	30-031-20608
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #105	30-031-20944
SANTA FE #016	30-031-20086
SANTA FE #017	30-031-20102
SANTA FE #029	30-031-20341
SANTA FE RAILROAD #004	30-031-05151
SANTA FE RAILROAD #007	30-031-05141
SANTA FE RAILROAD #008	30-031-05496
SANTA FE RAILROAD #009	30-031-05531
SANTA FE RAILROAD #013	30-031-20038
SANTA FE RAILROAD #014	30-031-20037
SANTA FE RAILROAD #015	30-031-20036
SANTA FE RAILROAD #018	30-031-20138

SANTA FE RAILROAD #019 30-031-20139 **SANTA FE RAILROAD #020** 30-031-20140 **SANTA FE RAILROAD #021** 30-031-20141 **SANTA FE RAILROAD #023** 30-031-20150 **SANTA FE RAILROAD #039** 30-031-20452 **SANTA FE RAILROAD #040** 30-031-20451 **SANTA FE RAILROAD #041** 30-031-20594 **SANTA FE RAILROAD #042** 30-031-20745 **SANTA FE RAILROAD #043** 30-031-20712 **SANTA FE RAILROAD #045** 30-031-20804 **SANTA FE RAILROAD #047** 30-031-20836 **SANTA FE RAILROAD #048** 30-031-20837 **SANTA FE RAILROAD #049** 30-031-20838 **SANTA FE RAILROAD #050** 30-031-20854 **SANTA FE RAILROAD #051** 30-031-20853 SANTA FE RAILROAD A #074 30-031-20021

- 17. Production was last reported for the above-identified <u>39</u> wells (via submission of C115 production reports) more than 2 years ago. Pursuant to Rule 19.15.8.9 NMAC, therefore, NOG is required to post a single-well financial assurance (based on location and depth) in addition to its blanket bond for <u>each</u> of the above-listed wells.
- 18. Between the time that the Rule change was passed and the date of the full implementation (January 1, 2008), the OCD took numerous steps to ensure that industry in New Mexico was aware of the single-well financial assurance obligations imposed by Rule 19.15.8.9.
- 19. In addition to the information disseminated by the Division to industry in general regarding Rule 19.15.8.9. (originally referred to as Rule 101.B), upon contacting the OCD in late March, 2008, NOG was additionally P = g = 16

provided with <u>specific notice</u> of its financial assurance obligations with regard to the wells it had acquired (or was in the process of acquiring) from Mountain States Petroleum. (*See Paragraph No. 7, above*).

- 20. <u>Specific notice</u> of NOG's obligations under Rule 19.15.8.9, and continued violation thereof, was thereafter reiterated to NOG by the OCD on numerous subsequent occasions including April 11, 2008 (*See* ¶8), May 5, 2008 (*See* ¶9) and May 19, 2008 (*See* ¶11).
- 21. On <u>August 27, 2008</u> OCD representatives met in-person with NOG at the Santa Fe OCD office to discuss NOG's request to submit documentation for a number of wells in an attempt to rebut the presumption of inactivity for purposes of Rule 19.15.8.9 and the single-well additional bonding requirements.
- 22. On <u>September 12, 2008</u>, after having reviewed the sundries submitted by NOG, the OCD determined that NOG had submitted sufficient documentation for 47 wells to accomplish an initial rebuttal of the presumption of inactivity. Therefore, as long as the wells ultimately proved to be active (i.e. NOG followed through by properly reporting the production pursuant to OCD Rule 19.15.7.24 NMAC) no additional bonding would be due for the following wells:

HOSPAH SAND UNIT #002	30-031-05185	HOSPAH SAND UNIT #024	30-031-05186
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #006	30-031-05190	HOSPAH SAND UNIT #025	30-031-05212
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #0:15	30-031-05207	HOSPAH SAND UNIT #027	30-031-05214
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #017	30-031-05213	HOSPAH SAND UNIT #028	30-031-05216
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #0:19	30-031-05203	HOSPAH SAND UNIT #029	30-031-05225
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #0:23	30-031-05192	HOSPAH SAND UNIT #032	30-031-05224

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HOSPAH SAND UNIT #034	30-031-05223	SANTA FE RAILROAD #019	30-031-20139
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #035	30-031-05222	SANTA FE RAILROAD #020	30-031-20140
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #052	30-031-05182	SANTA FE RAILROAD #021	30-031-20141
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #056	30-031-20104	SANTA FE RAILROAD #023	30-031-20150
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #089	30-031-05193	SANTA FE RAILROAD #039	30-031-20452
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #095	30-031-20608	SANTA FE RAILROAD #040	30-031-20451
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #105	30-031-20944	SANTA FE RAILROAD #041	30-031-20594
SANTA FE #016	30-031-20086	SANTA FE RAILROAD #042	30-031-20745
SANTA FE #017 **	30-031-20102	SANTA FE RAILROAD #043	30-031-20712
SANTA FE #029	30-031-20341	SANTA FE RAILROAD #045	30-031-20804
SANTA FE RAILROAD #004	30-031-05151	SANTA FE RAILROAD #047	30-031-20836
SANTA FE RAILROAD #007	30-031-05141	SANTA FE RAILROAD #048	30-031-20837
SANTA FE RAILROAD #008	30-031-05496	SANTA FE RAILROAD #049	30-031-20838
SANTA FE RAILROAD #009	30-031-05531	SANTA FE RAILROAD #050	30-031-20854
SANTA FE RAILROAD #013	30-031-20038	SANTA FE RAILROAD #051	30-031-20853
SANTA FE RAILROAD #014	30-031-20037	SANTA FE RAILROAD A #072 **	30-031-05570
SANTA FE RAILROAD #015	30-031-20036	SANTA FE RAILROAD A #074	30-031-20021
SANTA FE RAILROAD #013	30-031-20138		

- 23. Additional single-well financial assurances remained due for the other 20 wells that NOG had acquired from Mountain States and for which NOG had not submitted documentation sufficiently rebutting the presumption of inactivity under Rule 19.15.8.9.
- 24. On or about <u>September 24, 2008</u>, NOG posted the additional financial assurances for the 20 wells it had acquired from Mountain States Mutual that it had *not* submitted documentation to rebut the presumption of inactivity for.
- 25. NOG was specifically informed that the OCD would treat the 47 wells for which NOG had submitted documentation indicative of activity as not in violation of Rule 19.15.8.9 for the specific purpose of allowing the transfer of

operatorship to go through. However, OCD further informed NOG specifically

that it was required to follow up by submitting actual production reports

(C115s), documenting the actual activity for each well, at which time those wells

would formally be reflected as no longer out of compliance on the OCD's system.

26. Despite having being notified multiple times of its obligations

under Rule 19.15.8.9 to either submit production reports for or, alternatively, if

there is no production to be reported, to post additional financial assurances,

NOG has neither reported production occurring within the last two years nor

posted the additional, required financial assurances for the 39 subject wells.

WHEREFORE, the Supervisor of District III of the Division hereby applies

to the Director to enter an Order:

27. Requiring NOG to submit single-well financial assurances for each of

the above-identified 39 wells by a date certain.

28. Requiring that NOG reappear at the next regularly-scheduled

Division Hearing following the date established by the Order as the deadline for

submission of the single-well financial assurances by NOG in this matter, and

further requiring that at that subsequent appearance, NOG be required to

present the presiding Hearing Examiner with evidence that said single well

bonds had been fully and properly posted prior to the deadline.

29. Further, if NOG fails to meet the deadline for submission of the

additional bonding as established by the Order, issue a Plugging Order requiring

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that NOG properly plug, by a date certain, each of the subject 39 wells for which NOG failed to submit the required single-well financial assurance by the deadline.

- 30. Finally, if such a Plugging Order is required to be issued, and is in fact issued, the OCD specifically requests that, pursuant to 70-2-14(B) NMSA 1978, it be further Ordered that if NOG fails to plug and abandon the subject 39 wells by the deadline set in that Plugging Order:
 - (1) The Division be authorized to plug the subject wells in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program;
 - (2) The Division be authorized to forfeit any applicable financial assurances posted in relation to the subject wells; and
 - (3) For such other and further relief as the Director deems just and proper under the circumstances.

IV. ARGUMENT: ISSUE NO. 2 - NOG's VIOLATION OF DIVISION RULE 19.15.25.8 NMAC.

31. NOG is the Operator of Record of the following <u>121</u> wells in New

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HOSPAH SAND UNIT #003	30-031-05205
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #015	30-031-05207
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #017	30-031-05213
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #019	30-031-05203
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #025	30-031-05212
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #027	30-031-05214
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #028	30-031-05216
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #029	30-031-05225
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #032	30-031-05224
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #035	30-031-05222
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #037	30-031-05219
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #038	30-031-05179

HOSPAH SAND UNIT #051	30-031-05194
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #052	30-031-05182
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #058	30-031-20115
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #059	30-031-20116
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #084	30-031-20248
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #092	30-031-20613
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #093	30-031-20611
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #095	30-031-20608
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #100	30-031-20831
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #105	30-031-20944
LONE PINE DAKOTA D UNIT #012	30-031-20183
LONE PINE DAKOTA D UNIT #014	30-031-20174

SANTA FE #029	30-031-20341	SANTA FE RR B #036	30-031-20416
SANTA FE PACIFIC RAILROAD #002	30-031-20165	SANTA FE RR B #037	30-031-20415
SANTA FE PACIFIC RAILROAD #008	30-031-20181	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #001	30-031-05142
SANTA FE PACIFIC RAILROAD #009	30-031-20182	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #002	30-031-05139
SANTA FE RAILROAD #003	30-031-05147	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #003	30-031-05140
SANTA FE RAILROAD #004	30-031-05151	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #004	30-031-05145
SANTA FE RAILROAD #007	30-031-05141	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #005	30-031-05146
SANTA FE RAILROAD #008	30-031-05496	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #006	30-031-20009
SANTA FE RAILROAD #009	30-031-05531	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #007	30-031-20012
SANTA FE RAILROAD #012	30-031-20032	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #008	30-031-20015
SANTA FE RAILROAD #013	30-031-20038	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #009	30-031-20013
SANTA FE RAILROAD #014	30-031-20037	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #010	30-031-60017
SANTA FE RAILROAD #015	30-031-20036	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #011	30-031-20016
SANTA FE RAILROAD #018	30-031-20138	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #012	30-031-20020
SANTA FE RAILROAD #019	30-031-20139	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #013	30-031-20054
SANTA FE RAILROAD #020	30-031-20140	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #014	30-031-20053
SANTA FE RAILROAD #021	30-031-20141	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #015	30-031-20055
SANTA FE RAILROAD #023	30-031-20150	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #016	30-031-20056
SANTA FE RAILROAD #039	30-031-20452	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #017	30-031-20057
SANTA FE RAILROAD #040	30-031-20451	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #021	30-031-05134
SANTA FE RAILROAD #041	30-031-20594	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #022	30-031-05498
SANTA FE RAILROAD #042	30-031-20745	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #024	30-031-20091
SANTA FE RAILROAD #043	30-031-20712	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #025	30-031-20092
SANTA FE RAILROAD #044	30-031-20713	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #026	30-031-20093
SANTA FE RAILROAD #045	30-031-20804	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #027	30-031-20094
SANTA FE RAILROAD #047	30-031-20836	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #028	30-031-20095
SANTA FE RAILROAD #048	30-031-20837	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #029	30-031-20120
SANTA FE RAILROAD #049	30-031-20838	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #030	30-031-20121
SANTA FE RAILROAD #050	30-031-20854	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #031	30-031-20122
SANTA FE RAILROAD #051	30-031-20853	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #032	30-031-20125
SANTA FE RAILROAD A #074	30-031-20021	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #033	30-031-20124
SANTA FE RAILROAD A #083	30-031-20147	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #035	30-031-20119
SANTA FE RAILROAD A #084	30-031-20372	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #036	30-031-20118
SANTA FE RAILROAD A #087	30-031-20413	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #037X	30-031-20135
SANTA FE RAILROAD A #097	30-031-20855	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #038	30-031-20151
SANTA FE RR B #032	30-031-20303	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #039	30-031-20152
SANTA FE RR B #033	30-031-20369	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #046	30-031-20360
SANTA FE RR B #034	30-031-20390	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #047	30-031-20361
SANTA FE RR B #035	30-031-20391	SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #048	30-031-20362

SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #049	30-031-20363
SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #050	30-031-20364
SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #051	30-031-20242
SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #052	30-031-20243
SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #053	30-031-20278
SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #054	30-031-20407
SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #057	30-031-20408
SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #058	30-031-20409
SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #059	30-031-20410
SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #060	30-031-20411

SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #061	30-031-20546
SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #062	30-031-20545
SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #063	30-031-20544
SOUTH HOSPAH UNIT #064	30-031-20547
LONE PINE DAKOTA D UNIT #023	30-031-20201
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #039	30-031-05171
HOSPAH SAND UNIT #050	30-031-05201
SANTA FE #016	30-031-20086
SANTA FE #017	30-031-20102

- 32. Based upon production reported and regulatory filings by NOG, the 121 wells identified above, now operated by Operator NOG in New Mexico, have been inactive for a continuous period exceeding one year plus 90 days, and are neither plugged and abandoned in accord with Rule 19.15.25.8 NMAC nor on approved temporary abandonment status in accord with Rule 19.15.25.13 NMAC.
- 33. Per OCD records, and based upon operator-submitted production records, a number of the above-identified wells have not been productive for in excess of <u>ten</u> <u>years</u>, with some not having reported production for 20 or more years.
- 34. OCD has put forth significant effort to work with NOG and develop a strategy and timeline for addressing the numerous idle wells it chose to acquire from Mountain States in March of 2008. However, NOG has failed to follow through, instead persisting in its noncompliance.

WHEREFORE, the Supervisor of District III of the Division hereby applies to the Director to enter an Order:

34. Requiring that, <u>by a date certain</u>, NOG plug and abandon or otherwise bring into compliance with Rule 19.15.25.8 NMAC each of the specified 121 wells.

35. Requiring that NOG reappear at the next regularly-scheduled Division

Hearing following the date established by the Order as the deadline for NOG to bring

the subject 121 wells into compliance with Rule 19.15.25.8 NMAC in this matter, and

further requiring that at that subsequent appearance, NOG be required to present the

presiding Hearing Examiner with evidence establishing that NOG met the deadline as

to the subject 121 wells.

36. Further, if NOG fails to meet the deadline for bringing these 121 wells into

compliance with Rule 19.15.25.8 NMAC as established by the Order, issue a Plugging

Order requiring that NOG properly plug, by a date certain, each of the subject 121 wells

for which NOG failed to meet the established deadline.

37. Finally, if such a Plugging Order is required to be issued, and is in fact

issued, the OCD specifically requests that, pursuant to 70-2-14(B) NMSA 1978, it be

further Ordered that if NOG fails to plug and abandon the subject wells by the deadline

set in the Plugging Order:

(1) The Division be authorized to plug the subject wells in accordance

with a Division-approved plugging program;

(2) The Division be authorized to forfeit any applicable financial

assurances posted in relation to the subject wells; and

(3) For such other and further relief as the Director deems just and proper

under the circumstances.

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, this 23rd

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Conservation Division

. Application of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for a Compliance Order CASE NO. against Nacogdoches Oil and Gas, Inc. ("NOG"). The Applicant seeks an Order finding that Operator NOG is in violation of OCD Rule 19.15.8.9 as to 39 wells and Rule 19.15.25.8 as to 121 wells, requiring Xeric to bring all such wells into full compliance with OCD Rules by a date certain. The Division further seeks authority to forfeit any associated financial assurances, and to plug and abandon the subject wells should the Operator fail to meet the deadline established by the Order. The subject wells are all located in McKinley County on eight (8) units. The Hospah Sand Unit is located approximately 20 mi. NE of Crownpoint, NM, 4 mi. S of junction of highways 197 and 509 on the E side of highway 509; the Santa Fe RR Unit is located approximately 23 mi. E of Crownpoint, NM, 6 mi. SE of junction of 197/509; the Lone Pine Dakota D Unit is located approximately 24 mi. E of Crownpoint, NM, 7 mi. S of junction 197/509; the Santa Fe Railroad A Unit is located directly adjacent to the Hospah Sand Unit to the southeast and is approximately 24 mi. E of Crownpoint, NM, 7 mi. SSE of junction 197/509, the Santa Fe Railroad B Unit is comprised of a small cluster of wells located approximately 26 mi. E of Crownpoint, NM, 8 mi. SE junction 197/509; the Santa Fe Pacific RR Unit is located approximately 21 mi. E of Crownpoint, 9 mi. S junction 197/509; the South Hospah Unit is located approximately 21 mi E of Crownpoint, NM, 7 mi SE of junction 197/509; and the Santa Fe Unit is directly adjacent to the SE of the Santa Fe Railroad Unit and is approximately 24 mi. E of Crownpoint, NM, 7 mi ESE of junction 197/509. The specific wells involved in this matter include the following:

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1	30-031-05205	hospah sand unit #003	N-36-18N-09W	1650-W 330-S	30-031-20086	santa fe #016	C-7 -17N-08W 2310-W 330-N
	30-031-05207	hospah sand unit #015	N-36-18N-09W	2590-W 330-S	30-031-20102	santa fe #017	F-7 -17N-08W 1950-W, 1950-N
	30-031-05213	hospah sand unit #017	N-36-18N-09W	999-E 999-S	30-031-20341	santa fe #029	B-7-17N-08W 1680-E 990-N
	30-031-05203	hospah sand unit #019	C)-36-18N-09W	2060-E 330-S	30-031-20165	santa fe pacific RR #002	L-13-17N-09W 660-W 1980-S
	30-031-05212	hospah sand unit #025	C)-36-18N-09W	999-E 999-S	30-031-20181	santa fe pacific RR #008	D-24-17N-09W 640-W 740-N
	30-031-05214	hospah sand unit #027	F-36-18N-09W	999-E 999-S	30-031-20182	santa fe pacific RR #009	F-13-17N-09W 2180-W 2180-N
_	30-031-05216	hospah sand unit #028	J-36-18N-09W 5	550-W 550-S	30-031-05147	santa fe railroad #003	1-7 -17N-08W 660-W 660-N
	30-031-05225	hospah sand unit #029	G-36-18N-09W	550-W 550-S	30-031-05151	santa fe railroad #004	C-7 -17N-08W 1650-W 330-N
	30-031-05224	hospah sand unit #032	I-36-18N-09W 9	999-E 999-S	30-031-05141	santa fe railroad #007	2-7 -17N-08W 330-W 1650-N
_	30-031-05222	hospah sand unit #035	K-36-18N-09W	999-E 999-S	30-031-05496	santa fe railroad #008	3-7 -17N-08W 330-W 2400-S
	30-031-05219	hospah sand unit #037	I-36-18N-09W 9	990-E 990 - S	30-031-05531	santa fe railroad #009	F-7 -17N-08W 1650-W 1650-N
	30-031-05179	hospah sand unit #038	F-1 -17N-09W 19	970-W 2030-N	30-031-20032	santa fe railroad #012	1-7 -17N-08W 330-W 330-N
	30-031-05171	hospah sand unit #039	K-1-17N-09W 19	980-W 1980-S	30-031-20038	santa fe railroad #013	1-7 -17N-08W 330-W 930-N
	30-031-05201	hospah sand unit #050	P-36-18N-09W	660-E 330-S	30-031-20037	santa fe railroad #014	1-7 -17N-08W 990-W 330-N
	30-031-05194	hospah sand unit #051	3-1-17N-09W 19	980-E 660-N	30-031-20036	santa fe railroad #015	2-7-17N-08W 990-W 1650-N
	30-031-05182	hospah sand unit #052	C-1-17N-09W 2	970-W 2310-N	30-031-20138	santa fe railroad #018	1-7 -17N-08W 710-W 600-N
_	30-031-20115	hospah sand unit #058	C)-36-18N-09W	2350-E 30-S	30-031-20139	santa fe railroad #019	2-7 -17N-08W 680-W 2090-N
_	30-031-20116	hospah sand unit #059	J-36-18N-09W :	2625-E 1430-S	30-031-20140	santa fe railroad #020	F-7 -17N-08W 2010-W 1800-N
	30-031-20248	hospah sand unit #084	F-1-17N-09W 26	600-W 1425-N	30-031-20141	santa fe railroad #021	C-7 -17N-08W 1870-W 660-N
_	30-031-20613	hospah sand unit #092	CI-36-18N-09W	1850-E 700-S	30-031-20150	santa fe railroad #023	C-7 -17N-08W 1330-W 5-N
_	30-031-20611	hospah sand unit #093	4-1-17N-09W 20	010-W 770-N	30-031-20452	santa fe railroad #039	1-7 -17N-08W 330-W 700-N
_	30-031-20608	hospah sand unit #095	3-1-17N-09W 25	550-E 350-N	30-031-20451	santa fe railroad #040	2-7 -17N-08W 420-W 1440-N
	30-031-20831	hospah sand unit #100	H-36-18N-09W	1190-E 2505-N	30-031-20594	santa fe railroad #041	1-7 -17N-08W 1000-W 1000-N
_	30-031-20944	hospah sand unit #105	N-36-18N-09W	1750-W 70-S	30-031-20745	santa fe railroad #042	F-7 -17N-08W 1650-W 2310-N
	30-031-20183	Lone pine dakota d unit#012	B-13-17N-09W 3	3500-W 800-N	30-031-20712	santa fe railroad #043	C-7 -17N-08W 1725-W 1025-N
	30-031-20174	lone pine dakota d unit#014	3·13-17N-09W 4	620-W 1980-N	30-031-20713	santa fe railroad #044	C-7 -17N-08W 2300-W 1095-N
	30-031-20201	lone pine dakota d unit#023	K-13-17N-09W	2310-W 1650-S	30-031-20804	santa fe railroad #045	F-7 -17N-08W 1330-W 1950-N

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30-031-20836	santa fe railroad #047	1-7 -17N-08W 550-W 1200-N	30-031-05498	south hospah unit #022	L-12-17N-09W 990-W 2210-S
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30-031-20853	santa fe railroad #051	C-7 -17N-08W 1480 ² W 550-N	30-031-20094	south hospah unit #027	4-12-17N-09W 330-E 1570-N
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