

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

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

**APPLICATION OF CIMAREX ENERGY CO. FOR
A NON-STANDARD OIL SPACING AND PRORATION
UNIT FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, CHAVES
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

Case No. 14,408

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by applicant as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES

APPLICANT

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OPPONENT

OPPONENT'S ATTORNEY

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

APPLICANT

Cimarex Energy Co. seeks an order approving a 160-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit (project area) in the Abo/Wolfcamp formation comprised of the S/2S/2 of Section 20, Township 15 South, Range 31 East, NMPM. Applicant further seeks the pooling of all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Abo/Wolfcamp formation underlying the S/2S/2 of Section 20 to form a non-standard 160 acre oil spacing and proration unit (project area), for any formations and/or pools developed on 40 acre spacing within that vertical extent, The units are to be dedicated to the Valley Forge 20 State Com. Well No. 1, a horizontal well to be drilled at a surface location 375 feet from the south line and 375 feet from the east line, with a terminus 375

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feet from the south line and 375 feet from the west line, of Section 20. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well.

OPPONENT

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

<u>WITNESSES</u>	<u>EST. TIME</u>	<u>EXHIBITS</u>
Hayden Tresner (landman)	15 min.	Approx. 5
Lee Catalano (geologist)	15 min.	Approx. 4

IF THIS MATTER IS UNOPPOSED IT WILL BE SUBMITTED BY AFFIDAVIT.

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PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Respectfully submitted,



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