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Ms. Florene Davidson New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505 HAND DELIVERED

Re: In the Matter of the Hearing Called by the Oil Conservation Division for the Purpose of Considering the Application of COG Operating LLC to Conduct Injection Operations for Evaluation for Secondary Recovery Operations, Eddy County, New Mexico, NMOCD Case No. 14455

Dear Ms. Davidson:

Enclosed for filing in the above-mentioned case is an original Pre-Hearing Statement and one copy.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO

# DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING, LLC FOR AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT INJECTION OPERATIONS FOR EVALUATION FOR SECONDARY RECOVERY OPERATIONS, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

**CASE NO. 14455** 

## PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by COG Operating LLC as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

## **APPEARANCES**

**APPLICANT** 

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**OPPONENT** 

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#### STATEMENT OF THE CASE

## **APPLICANT**

Applicant seeks an order authorizing the injection of water into the Paddock and Blinebry members of the Glorieta-Yeso formation, Empire Yeso Pool (96210) in Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant is the operator of the following wells:

Continental A State No. 11
API No. 30-015-34742
1450' FNL & 1907' FWL (Unit F)
Section 30
T-17-S, R-29-E, NMPM
Eddy County, New Mexico

Continental A State No. 12
API No. 30-015-35052
330' FNL & 583' FWL (Unit D)
Section 30
T-17-S, R-29-E, NMPM
Eddy County, New Mexico

Continental A State No. 11 well is drilled to a total depth of 5757' and the Continental A State No. 12 to a total depth of 5460'. Both wells were originally operated as producing oil wells. COG proposes to convert and utilize the wells for injection of water through a closed system into the Paddock and Blinebry formations, Empire Yeso Pool, through perforations within the depths of 3,926' to 4,277' (Paddock) and 4,436' to 5,088' (Blinebry) (Continental A State Well No. 11). For the Continental A State No. 12, the perforations will be within the depths of 3,811' to 4,044' (Paddock) and 4,400' to 5,297' (Blinebry). Data from injection will be utilized to evaluate the feasibility of secondary recovery operations in the referenced formations.

Injection operations through the well will be conducted at an anticipated average daily injection pressure of 2,000 psi with a maximum surface injection pressure of 2,000 psi or as permitted by the Division, in excess of a 0.2 psi/ft. gradient. Applicant proposes injection of water at average daily rates of approximately 1,000 bbls and at maximum daily rates of approximately 2,000 bbls. The source of the injected fluids will be formation water from production wells that have been drilled and are scheduled to be drilled in the area.

## **OPPONENT**

## PROPOSED EVIDENCE

## **APPLICANT**

WITNESSES	EST. TIME	<u>EXHIBITS</u>
Richard Prentice, Petroleum Engineer	1 hour	(C-108's and supporting materials)
Ramon Reyes, Geologist	15 minutes	3
<u>OPPONENT</u>	EST. TIME	<u>EXHIBITS</u>

## PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Applicant may request that cases 14,455, 14,456 and 14,457 be consolidated for hearing.

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## **Certificate of Service**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was delivered to counsel of record on the day of March, 2010, via electronic mail.

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