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NMOCD Case No. 14382: Application Of Chesapeake Energy Re: Corporation for Cancellation of a Permit to Drill Issued to COG **Operating LLC, Eddy County, New Mexico**

Dear Ms. Davidson:

On behalf of COG Operating LLC, enclosed for filing are the originals and two copies each of COG's Entry of Appearance and Pre-Hearing Statement.

Thank you.

Very truly yours, Kalen Williams

Karen Williams Assistant to J. Scott Hall

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

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

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APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION FOR CANCELLATION OF A PERMIT TO DRILL ISSUED TO COG OPERATING LLC, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Comes now COG Operating, LLC, by and through its undersigned attorneys, Montgomery & Andrews, P.A. (J. Scott Hall), and hereby enters its appearance in the above matter.

MONTGOMERY & ANDREWS, P.A.

By:

J. Scott Hall, Esq.

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was faxed to counsel of record on the 10th day of September, 2009, as follows:

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PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

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

APPEARANCES

APPLICANT

Chesapeake Energy Corporation

APPLICANT'S ATTORNEY

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STATEMENT OF THE CASE

APPLICANT

Applicant seeks an order canceling the Division's approval of an application for permit to drill ("APD") issued to COG Operating LLC ("COG"), API 30-015-37106, for the Blackhawk "11" Federal Com #2-H Well, a horizontal wellbore with a surface location in Unit K and a bottom-hole location in Unit I of Section 11, T16S, R28E, Eddy County, and to be dedicated to a non-standard 120-acre spacing unit consisting of the NE/4 SW/4 and N/2 SE/4 of this section.

<u>OPPONENT</u>

COG Operating LLC opposes Chesapeake's Application. This case presents virtually identical issues which were presented to the Division on August 20, 2009 in the hearing on the Application of Chesapeake Energy Corporation for cancellation of the Division's approval of an Application for Permit to Drill Issued to COG Operating LLC, Case No. 14323. Reference should be had to that case and the numerous other cases challenging APD's for horizontal drilling projects.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

<u>APPLICANT</u>

<u>WITNESSES</u>

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WITNESSES

Jan Spradlin, Landman

20 minutes

Approx. 6

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

COG Operating LLC may file a motion to dismiss Applicant's Application.

Subject to confirmation, this case may be continued by agreement of the parties.

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