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Re: Application of Mack Energy Corporation to amend compulsory pooling Order R-12006 to include additional oil wells for existing 40-acre spacing and proration units, Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

Enclosed in duplicate is the application of Mack Energy Corporation in the abovereferenced case, as well as a copy of a legal advertisement. Mack Energy Corporation requests that this matter be placed on the docket for the January 22, 2004, examiner hearings.

Sincerely,

Michael H. Feldewert

Enclosures

cc: Ronald W. Lanning Mack Energy Corporation

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## STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES 0 2003 OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION MACK ENERGY CORPORATION TO AMEND COMPULSORY POOLING ORDER R-12006 TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL OIL WELLS FOR EXISTING 40-ACRE SPACING AND PRORATION UNITS, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

CASE NO. 13266

## **APPLICATION**

MACK ENERGY CORPORATION ("Mack Energy"), through its undersigned attorneys,

hereby makes application pursuant to the provisions of N. M. Stat. Ann. § 70-2-17, (1978), to

amend pooling Order R-12006 to include additional oil wells for NW/4 SW/4 (Unit L) and the

NE/4 SW/4 (Unit K) of Section 31, Township 17 South, Range 32 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County,

New Mexico which include but are not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Yates-Maljamar,

Undesignated Pearsall-Seven Rivers, Undesignated Pearsall-Queen and the Maljamar Grayburg-

San Andres Pools. In support of this application Mack Energy states:

1. Division Order R-12006 pooled the mineral interests in the SW/4 of said Section

31 to form the following standard 40-acre spacing and proration units:

The NW/4 SW/4 (Unit L), which is dedicated to the Panther Federal Well No. 1 located 1650 FSL and 330 FWL;

The NE/4 SW/4 (Unit K), which is dedicated to the Panther Federal Well No. 3 located 1650 FSL and 1650 FWL;

The SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M), which is dedicated to the Panther Federal Well No. 5 to be located 990 FSL and 990 FWL; and

The SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N), which is dedicated to the Panther Federal Well No. 6 to be located 990 FSL and 2310 FWL.

2. Mack Energy is the designated operator of the four standard 40-acre spacing units in the SW/4 of Section 34 created under Division Order R-12006.

3. Mack Energy proposes to drill the following additional wells in the referenced spacing units:

The Panther Federal Well No. 2 in the NW/4 SW/4 (Unit L) at a standard location 2310 FSL and 990 FWL; and

The Panther Federal Well No. 4 in the NE/4 SW/4 (Unit K) at a standard location 2310 FSL and 2310 FWL.

4. Mack Energy has sought and been unable to obtain a voluntary agreement for the development of these lands from the Brooks Moleen Trust, c/o Branch Bank and Trust, P.O. Box 687, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-0687, attn. Jerry Lane.

5. Amending pooling Order R-12006 to include the proposed Panther Federal Well Nos. 2 and 4 will prevent waste and will protect correlative rights.

6. In order to permit Mack Energy to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, pooling Order R-12006 should be amended to include the Panther Federal Well Nos. 2 and 4.

WHEREFORE, Mack Energy requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on January 22, 2004 and that after notice and hearing as required by law the Division enter its order:

- A. amending Division Order R-12006 to include the drilling of the Panther Federal Well Nos. 2 and 4,
- B. designating Mack Energy operator of these additional wells,
- C. authorizing Mack Energy to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing these additional wells,

- D. approving the actual operating charges and costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures, and
- E. imposing the 200% risk penalty provided by Division Rule 19.15.1.35 against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of these additional wells.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTORNEYS FOR MACK ENERGY CORPORATION

## CASE 13206 Application of Mack Energy Corporation to amend compulsory pooling Order R-12006 to include additional oil wells for existing 40acre spacing and proration units, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks to amend pooling Order R-12006 to include additional oil wells for NW/4 SW/4 (Unit L) and the NE/4 SW/4 (Unit K) of Section 31, Township 17 South, Range 32 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant proposes to drill the Panther Federal Well No. 2 in the NW/4 SW/4 and the Panther Federal Well No. 4 in the NE/4 SW/4 of said Section 31 to test any and all formations from the surface to a depth of 5000 feet that are developed on 40-acre spacing, which include but are not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Yates-Maljamar, Undesignated Pearsall-Seven Rivers, Undesignated Pearsall-Queen and the Maljamar Grayburg-San Andres Pools. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said wells and the allocation of the costs thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, the designation of Mack Energy Corporation as operator of the wells, and the imposition of the 200% risk penalty provided by Division Rule 19.15.1.35. Said area is located approximately 5 miles Southwest of Maljamar, New Mexico.

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