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**Re: NMOCC Case No. 14570 : Application of Devon Energy
Production Company, L.P., For Designation of a Non-Standard Oil Spacing
and Proration Unit And For Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico**

Dear Ms. Davidson:

On behalf of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P., enclosed is an Application in the above-referenced case. Please set this matter for hearing on the November 18, 2010 examiner docket. Also enclosed is a proposed advertisement for the case.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES
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**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY,
L.P. FOR DESIGNATION OF A NON-
STANDARD OIL SPACING AND PRORATION
UNIT AND FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

CASE NO. 14570

APPLICATION

Devon Energy Production Company, L.P., by its undersigned attorneys, Montgomery and Andrews, P.A. (J. Scott Hall), hereby makes application pursuant to *inter alia* Rule 19.15.16.14 NMOCD of the Division's Rules and Regulations and NMSA 1978 Section 70-2-17 (1995) for an order providing as follows:

A. Consolidating each of the 40-acre spacing units within the S/2 N/2 of Section 15, Township 18 South, Range 32 East, NMPM and designating the consolidated units as a 160-acre± non-standard oil spacing and proration unit in the Bone Spring formation for Applicant's horizontal drilling project area; and

B. Pooling all interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the S/2 N/2 of said Section 15.

In support, Applicant states:

1. Applicant owns certain working interests in and under the proposed project area in Section 15, and has the right to drill thereon.

2. Applicant proposes to dedicate the above-referenced pooled unit to its West Shinnery 15 Federal Com No. 3-H Well to be drilled horizontally from a surface location 330'

from the East line and 1980' from the North line to a bottom hole location 330' from the West line and 1980' from the North line to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation underlying the proposed project area in Section 15.

3. Applicant does not have leases or a voluntary agreement for pooling or farmout from certain other interest owners in the above-referenced formation underlying the proposed non-standard unit.


4. In order to permit the Applicant to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, the mineral interests should be pooled and Applicant should be designated operator of the well.

5. The pooling of interests and approval of the non-standard unit will afford the Applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of hydrocarbons underlying the spacing unit, will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste and will protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE Applicant requests that this Application be set for hearing before a duly appointed examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on November 18, 2010, and that after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its Order approving the non-standard spacing unit and pooling the lands, including provisions for Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the well, its costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, including overhead charges and providing for adjustments to such rates in accordance with accepted COPAS accounting procedures, and imposing a 200% risk factor for the risk assumed by the Applicant in drilling, completing and equipping the well, and making such other and further provisions as maybe proper in the premises.

Respectfully submitted,

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Case No. 14570 Application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. for Designation of a Non-standard Spacing Unit and for Compulsory Pooling, Lease 200865, - New Mexico.

Applicant seeks an order consolidating the 40-acre spacing units within the S/2 N/2 of Section 15, Township 18 South Range 32 East, NMPM and designating the consolidated units as a 160-acre± non-standard oil spacing and proration unit for a well location in the Bone Springs formation for Applicant's horizontal drilling project area. Applicant further seeks the compulsory pooling of all interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the S/2 N/2 of said Section 15 to be dedicated to its Shinnery 15 Federal Com No. 3-H Well to be drilled horizontally from a surface location 330' from the East line and 1980' from the West line to a bottom hole location 330' from the East line and 1980' from the West line to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. as operator and a charge for risk involved in drilling the well. The proposed well and lands are located approximately seven miles south of Maljamar, New Mexico.

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