## BEFORE THE

## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

## NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF TARA-JON CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. <u>''09</u>9

## **APPLICATION**

TARA-JON CORPORATION, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application pursuant to the provisions of N.M.Stat.Ann. § 70-2-17, (1978), for an order pooling all mineral interests in the NE/4 NW/4 of Section 27, Township 16 South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico, and in support thereof states:

1. Applicant owns or represents approximately 76.34% of the working interest in the NE/4 NW/4 of Section 27, and Applicant has the right to drill thereon.

2. Applicant proposes to dedicate the above-referenced spacing or proration unit to either an existing well on the pooled acreage which it will re-enter located 660 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the West line or a new well to be drilled 330 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the West line. Said well will be drilled to a depth of approximately 8,500 feet, more or less, to test any and all formations from the surface to the base of the Drinkard formation, East Garrett-Drinkard Pool.

3. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain either voluntary agreement for pooling or farmout from certain interest owners in the NE/4 NW/4 of said Section 27.

4. Said pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste and will protect correlative rights.

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

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on September 15, 1994 and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order 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 imposing a risk factor for the risk assumed by the Applicant in drilling, completing and equipping the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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