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

APPLICATION OF THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION THROUGH THE SUPERVISOR OF DISTRICT II FOR AN ORDER REQUIRING THE STATE "A" WELL NO. 1 (API NO. 30-015-2331), LOCATED 660' FSL & 660' FWL, UNIT M, SEC. 36, TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, TO BE PROPERLY PLUGGED, AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION TO PLUG SAID WELL AND ORDERING A FORFEITURE OF THE PLUGGING BOND, IF ANY.

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## APPLICATION FOR PLUGGING

- 1. Billy R. Wilson and Robinson Brothers Drilling Company, Inc. (hereinafter called "Operators") are the operators of the State "A" Well No. 1, located 660 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 36, Township 19 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. G. A. Baber, Jr. may also have an interest in this well due to a recorded conveyance from Billy R. Wilson.
- 2. Billy R. Wilson and Robinson Brothers Drilling Company, Inc. as Operators, have posted a one-well plugging bond in the amount of \$7,500 in compliance with Section 70-2-14 N.M.S.A. 1978 and Rule 101 of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil Conservation Division, which bond is conditioned upon compliance with the Statutes of the State of New Mexico and the Rules and Regulations of the Division with respect to the proper plugging and abandonment of the well operated by said Operators.
  - 3. The subject well has not produced hydrocarbon substance or has otherwise been

inactive for more than one year or is no longer usable for beneficial purposes and no permit for temporary abandonment has been requested by the Operators and approved by the Division.

- 4. By virtue of the failure to use the well for beneficial purposes or to have an approved current temporary abandonment permit, the subject well is presumed to have been abandoned and is required to be plugged.
- 5. By authority of Section 70-2-12 N.M.S.A. 1978, the Rules and Regulations of the Division require wells which are inactive for more than one year or are no longer usable for beneficial purposes to be properly plugged.
- 6. Demand has been made upon the Operators to either place the subject well to beneficial use, obtain approval for temporary abandonment or properly plug and abandon the same and the Operators have failed to do so.

WHEREFORE, the Supervisor of District II of the Oil Conservation Division applies to the Director to enter an order:

- 1. Determining whether or not the State "A" #1 well should be plugged in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program:
  - 2. Upon determination that said well should be plugged directing Billy R. Wilson and

Robinson Brothers Drilling Company Inc. as Operators to plug said well.

- 3. Further ordering that if Operators fail to plug and abandon said well as ordered by the Director, that the Division be authorized:
  - a. to plug said well;
  - to declare forfeit on said bond and to take such action to foreclose on said bond; and
  - c. to recover from the Operators any costs of plugging in excess of the amount of the bond.
  - 4. For such other and further relief as the Division seems just and proper.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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