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

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division for the purpose of considering:

Case No. 11404

Application of Chesapeake Operating, Inc. for an Unorthodox Oil Well Location for Shaw "15" Well No. 2 Lea County, New Mexico.

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PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

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

APPEARANCE OF PARTIES

APPLICANT

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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT:

Chesapeake Operating, Inc. has 100% of the working interest in the S/2NE/4 of Section 15, T17S, R37E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

Chesapeake Operating, Inc. proposes to locate its Shaw "15" Well No. 2 at an unorthodox oil well location within the current boundaries of the Humble City-Strawn Pool.

The unorthodox location is necessary in order to attempt to locate the point of greatest thickness of potential strawn algal mound development within the spacing unit.

Approval of the application will afford Chesapeake Operating, Inc. the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the hydrocarbons in the Strawn formation and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

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PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES EST. TIME EXHIBITS:

Mike Hazlip 20 min. 7 total

(Landman)

Robert Hefner IV 20 min.

(Geologist)

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

None anticipated at this time.

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