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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NEARBURG EXPLORATION COMPANY, L.L,C. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. CASE NO. /256/ S

#### **APPLICATION**

NEARBURG EXPLORATION COMPANY, L.L.C. ("Nearburg"), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application pursuant to the provisions of N.M.S.A. 1978, Section 70-2-17, for an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation, under the following acreage in Section 19, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico:

- A. the W/2 to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within that vertical extent;
- B. the NW/4 to form a standard 160-acre spacing and proration unit for formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within that vertical extent;
- C. the W/2 NW/4 to form a standard 80-acre spacing and proration unit for formations and/or pools developed on 80-acre spacing within that vertical extent; and
- D. the SW/4 NW/4 to form a standard 40-acre gas spacing and proration unit for

formations and/or pools developed on 40-acre spacing within that vertical extent.

Said spacing and proration units are to be dedicated to Nearburg's proposed Rio Pecos 19 Well #1, to be drilled at standard location in the SW/4 NW/4 of said Section 19, and in support of its application states:

- 1. Nearburg is a working interest owner in said Section 19 and has the right to drill thereon.
- 2. Nearburg proposes to dedicate the above-referenced spacing or proration units to a well to be drilled at a standard location in the NW/4 of said Section 19, to a depth sufficient to test any and all formations to the base of the Morrow formation.
- 3. Nearburg has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the development of these spacing and proration units from those interest owners identified on Exhibit A to this application.
- 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 Nearburg Producing Company, L.L.C. should be designated the operator of the well to be drilled.

WHEREFORE, Neaburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on March 2, 2000, APPLICATION,

and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order pooling the lands, including provisions designating Nearburg operator of these spacing and proration units, and authorizing Nearburg to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the well, its costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, including overhead charges, imposing a risk factor for the risk assumed by Nearburg in drilling, completing and equipping the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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# EXHIBIT A NOTIFICATION LIST APPLICATION OF NEARBURG EXPLORATION COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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### CASE 12357

Application of Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation, the W/2 for all formations developed on 320-acre spacing, the NW/4 for all formations developed on 160-acre spacing, the W/2 NW/4 for all formations developed on 80-acre spacing, and the SW/4 NW/4 for all formations developed on 40-acre spacing, all in Section 19, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, NMPM. Applicant proposes to dedicate these pooled units to its proposed Rio Pecos 19 Well #1, to be drilled at a standard gas well in the SW/4 NW/4 of said Section 19. Also to be considered will 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 applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 10 miles southeast of Artesia, New Mexico.