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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF LG&E NATURAL PIPELINE LLC FOR SPECIAL PROJECT RULES FOR THE GRAMA RIDGE GAS STORAGE UNIT LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 12441

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This prehearing statement is submitted by Applicant, LG&E Natural Pipeline, LLC as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

(Please make a concise statement of what is being sought with this application and the reasons therefore.)

The applicant requests the Division establish rules requiring operators of all newly drilled or recompleted wells in the Morrow formation to provide the operator of the Grama Ridge Morrow Gas Storage Unit with information and data obtained during drilling, completion, and production to determine whether such wells are in communication with the unitized formation or would otherwise interfere with Unit operations. The special project rules would also include provisions requiring the operators of wells determined to be in communication with the Unitized Interval to demonstrate how such well may be produced without interfering with Unit operations or to take such other action determined to be appropriate.

OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY

(Please make a concise statement of the basis for opposing this application or otherwise state the position of the party filing this statement.)

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The basis of the opposition of Nearburg Exploration Company, *et al.* has not been communicated to Applicant.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES (Name and expertise)	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
Terri Watson; Fact	25 minutes	9
John Wells; Petroleum Engineer	45 minutes	8

OPPOSITION

WITNESSES EST. TIME EXHIBITS (Name and expertise)

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

(Please identify any procedural matters which need to be resolved prior to the hearing)

Opponents have filed their second Motion for Continuance on July 21, 2000.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 74 day of July, 2000, a copy of the foregoing pleading was forwarded to:

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