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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF McELVAIN OIL & GAS PROPERTIES, INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 12452 P.

APPLICATION

McELVAIN OIL AND GAS PROPERTIES, INC. ("McElvain"), 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 all formations from the base of the Pictured Cliffs formation to the base of the Mesaverde formation developed on 320-acre spacing in the E/2 of Section 4, Township 25 North, Range 2 West, N.M.P.M., Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, and in support thereof states:

1. McElvain is a working interest owner in the E/2 of said Section 4 and has the right to drill thereon.

2. This acreage was the subject of a prior compulsory pooling order for the Cougar Com "4" Well No. 1 (Order No. R11182-A, Case No. 12251). In this case, McElvain seeks an order pooling this acreage for the drilling of the second well on this spacing and proration unit.

3. McElvain proposes to dedicate the above-referenced spacing or proration units to its Cougar Com "4" Well No. 1A (formerly the Dewey Bartlett Well No. 1) to be reentered at a standard location in the NE/4 SE/4 of said Section 4 and drilled to test any and all formations to the base of the Mesaverde formation, Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool.

4. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain either voluntary agreement for pooling or farmout from certain interest owners in the subject spacing units identified on Exhibit A to this application.

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

6. 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 McElvain Oil & Gas Properties, Inc. should be designated the operator of the well to be drilled.

WHEREFORE, McElvain Oil & Gas Properties, Inc. requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on July 13, 2000, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order:

- A. pooling all mineral interests in the subject spacing and proration units,
- B. designating McElvain Oil & Gas Properties, Inc. operator of the unit and the well to be drilled thereon,
- C. authorizing McElvain to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the well,
- D. approving the actual operating charges and costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures, and
- E. imposing a penalty for the risk assumed by McElvain in drilling and

completing the well against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A

APPLICATION OF McELVAIN OIL & GAS PROPERTIES, INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING E/2 EQUIVALENT OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST, N.M.P.M. RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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Dugan Production Corporation Post Office Box 420 Farmington, New Mexico 87499-420 CASE 12452: Application of McElvain Oil & Gas Properties, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant in the abovestyled cause seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in all formations developed on 320-acre spacing from the base of the Pictured Cliffs Formation to the base of the Mesaverde formation in E/2 of Section 4, Township 25 North, Range 2 West, N.M.P.M. Said units are to be dedicated to its Cougar Com "4" Well No. 1A to be re-entered and drilled to a depth sufficient to test all formations to the base of the Mesaverde formation, Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool, at a standard location in the NE/4 SE/4 of said Section 4. Also to be considered will be 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 9 miles north of Lindrith, New Mexico.