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Re: Case No. 12924; Application of EOG Resources, Inc. for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Bill:

I am experiencing difficulty writing an order in this matter due to discrepancies in the land descriptions.

The description given in the application for the 320-acre unit is Lots 3 and 4, the E/2 SW/4 and SE/4 [S/2 equivalent], recited to contain 321.94 acres. The requested 40-acre unit is described as the NW/4 SW/4. Based on the description of the 320-acre unit, I would assume that the NW/4 SW/4 is exactly or substantially equivalent to Lot 3. However, I am mindful about adages concerning the fate of those who ass-u-me. I do not find a land plat in the record showing how these designated lots lie, nor any indication of the exact acreage of the proposed approximate 40-acre unit.

Would you be so kind to supplement the record to supply this information?

Should you have any questions, please call me at (505)-476-3450.

Very truly yours,

David K. Brooks

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