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Dear Florene:

Enclosed for filing are an original and two copies of an Application for Compulsory Pooling and an Unorthodox Well Location on behalf of Mewbourne Oil Company. Please set this matter for the June 11th docket. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

HINKLE, COX, EATON, COFFIELD & **HENSLEY**

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WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that the Division grant the relief requested above.

Respectfully submitted,

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