STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 8 FF 12 30

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 9966

APPLICATION OF

MITCHELL ENERGY CORPORATION For Compulsory Pooling Lea County, New Mexico

MITCHELL ENERGY'S

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This prehearing statement is submitted by <u>W. Thomas Kellahin</u> as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

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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.)

Compulsory Pooling of SE/4 for 160 acre gas and NE/4SE/4 for 40 acre oil in Section 17, T18S, R35E, Lea County New Mexico.

Despite good faith efforts to obtain joinder of Texaco and Rowan, unable to obtain executed JOA and AFEs from parties at the time of this application.

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.)

Applicant has not been advised of any opposition to the hearing and assumes none. Pre-hearing Statement NMOCD Case No. 9966 Page 3

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES (Name and expertise)	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
Steven Smith (Land)	10 Min	3
Ted Gawloski (geology)	15 Min	3
Carl Richards (P. E.)	10 Min	3

OPPOSITION

WITNESSES	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
(Name and expertise)		

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

Anticipate routine unopposed compulsory pooling case.

Signature Signature