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## BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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APPLICATION OF CROWN CENTRAL PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

|      |     |     | OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION |
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## APPLICATION

Crown Central Petroleum Corporation hereby makes application for an Order pooling all interests from the surface to the base of the Abo formation in the SE¼ of Section 25, Township 19 South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico, and in support thereof would show:

- 1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of said Section 25.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill a well in the SE\set\set\set\ of Section 25, at a standard location, to a depth of approximately 8000 feet or the base of the Abo formation. Applicant seeks to dedicate the SE\set\set\ of Section 25 to the well if it is an oil well, or will dedicate the SE\set\ of Section 25 to the well if it is a gas well.
- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to join all other mineral interest owners in the  $SE^{\frac{1}{4}}$  of Section 25 for the purposes set forth herein.
- 4. Although Applicant attempted to obtain voluntary agreements from all mineral interest owners to participate in the drilling of the well or to otherwise commit their interests to the well, certain interest owners have refused to join in dedicating their acreage. Therefore, Applicant seeks an Order

pooling all mineral interest owners underlying the  $SE\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 25, pursuant to § 70-2-17 N.M.S.A. 1978.

- 5. Applicant asks that the Division consider the cost of drilling and completing the well, the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and costs charged for supervision. Applicant requests that it be designated as operator of the well and that the Division set a penalty for the risk involved in drilling the well.
- 6. The pooling of all interests underlying the  $SE\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 25 will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.
- 7. Applicant requests that this matter be heard at the July 1, 1987 Examiner hearing.

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