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9236 , Application of Mesa Case No. Grande Resources, Inc. for Compulsory Pooling, Rio Arriba Case No. 9225, Application of Mesa Grande, Ltd., for Compulsory Pooling, Rio Arriba County.

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Enclosed are an original and two (2) copies of an application for compulsory pooling submitted on behalf of Mesa Grande Resources, Inc. This case involves an application to force pool all interests in a 650.22 acre unit in the Gavilan-Mancos Oil Pool in which there is already an existing well. Because of the history of disputes among the parties in the pool, we request that it be heard before the full Commission.

In addition, in Case No. 9225, Mesa Grande, Ltd. submitted a similar compulsory pooling application involving a 640 acre unit. Although this matter is currently set for hearing at the September 23rd Examiner hearing, we request that this matter also be heard before the full Commission.

Very truly yours,

Owen M. Lopez

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## BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVEDTION COMMISSION

APPLICATION OF MESA GRANDE RESOURCES, INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISIONS No. 9236

## APPLICATION

Mesa Grande Resources, Inc. hereby makes application for an Order pooling all interests in the Gallup formation of the Gavilan-Mancos Oil Pool underlying Section 1, Township 24 North, Range 2 West, N.M.P.M., Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, and in support thereof would show:

- 1. Applicant is an operator in said Section 1. Mesa Grande, Ltd. and Arriba Company, Ltd. are the current working interest owners in the well and support this Application.
- 2. Applicant has drilled its Invader No. 1 Well in Section 1 at a standard location, and seeks to dedicate all of Section 1 to the well with respect to the Gallup formation of the Gavilan-Mancos Oil Pool.
- 3. The New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission issued Order No. R-7407-E, effective June 8, 1987, which provides for 640 acre spacing and proration units for the Gavilan-Mancos Oil Pool.
- 4. Applicant has in good faith sought to join all other mineral interest owners in Section 1 for the purposes set forth herein.
- 5. Although Applicant attempted to obtain voluntary agreements from all mineral interest owners to participate in the drilling of the well, at cost, or to otherwise commit their interests to the well in compliance with Order No. R-7407-E, certain interest owners have refused to join in dedicating their

undeveloped acreage and have refused to participate in the Invader No. 1 Well. Therefore, Applicant seeks an Order pooling all mineral interest owners in the Gallup formation underlying Section 1, pursuant to §§ 70-2-17, 18 N.M.S.A. 1978, to be effective June 8, 1987.

- 6. 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.
- 7. The pooling of all interests underlying Section 1 will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.
- 8. Applicant requests that this matter be heard before the full Commission on October 15, 1987.

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