# STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

# APPLICATION FOR SURFACE COMMINGLING SUBMITTED BY MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY

**ORDER NO. PLC-968** 

# **ORDER**

The Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("OCD"), having considered the application and the recommendation of the OCD Engineering Bureau, issues the following Order.

# **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. Matador Production Company ("Applicant") submitted a complete application to surface commingle the oil and gas production from the pools, leases, and wells as described in Exhibit A ("Application").
- 2. Applicant proposed a method to allocate the oil and gas production to the pools, leases, and wells to be commingled.
- 3. Applicant provided notice of the Application to all persons owning an interest in the oil and gas production to be commingled, including the owners of royalty and overriding royalty interests, regardless of whether they have a right or option to take their interests in kind, and those persons either submitted a written waiver or did not file an objection to the Application.
- 4. Applicant provided notice of the Application to the Bureau of Land Management ("BLM") or New Mexico State Land Office ("NMSLO"), as applicable.
- 5. Applicant certified the commingling of oil and gas production from the pools, leases, and wells will not in reasonable probability reduce the value of the oil and gas production to less than if it had remained segregated.
- 6. Applicant in the notice for the Application stated that it sought authorization to prospectively include additional pools, leases, and wells in accordance with 19.15.12.10 C.(4)(g) NMAC.
- 7. Applicant stated that it sought authorization to surface commingle and off-lease measure, as applicable, oil and gas production from wells which have not yet been approved to be drilled, but will produce from a pool and lease as described in Exhibit A.

# **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 8. OCD has jurisdiction to issue this Order pursuant to the Oil and Gas Act, NMSA 1978, §§ 70-2-6, 70-2-11, 70-2-12, 70-2-16, and 70-2-17, 19.15.12. NMAC, and 19.15.23. NMAC.
- 9. Applicant satisfied the notice requirements for the Application in accordance with 19.15.12.10 A.(2) NMAC, 19.15.12.10 C.(4)(c) NMAC, and 19.15.12.10 C.(4)(e) NMAC, as applicable.

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- 10. Applicant satisfied the notice requirements for the Application in accordance with 19.15.23.9 A.(5) NMAC and 19.15.23.9 A.(6) NMAC, as applicable.
- 11. Applicant's proposed method of allocation, as modified herein, complies with 19.15.12.10 B.(1) NMAC or 19.15.12.10 C.(1) NMAC, as applicable.
- 12. Commingling of oil and gas production from state, federal, or tribal leases shall not commence until approved by the BLM or NMSLO, as applicable, in accordance with 19.15.12.10 B.(3) NMAC and 19.15.12.10 C.(4)(h) NMAC.
- 13. Applicant satisfied the notice requirements for the subsequent addition of pools, leases, and wells in the notice for the Application, in accordance with 19.15.12.10 C.(4)(g) NMAC. Subsequent additions of pools, leases, and wells within Applicant's defined parameters, as modified herein, will not, in reasonable probability, reduce the commingled production's value or otherwise adversely affect the interest owners in the production to be added.
- 14. By granting the Application with the conditions specified below, this Order prevents waste and protects correlative rights, public health, and the environment.

# **ORDER**

1. Applicant is authorized to surface commingle oil and gas production from the pools, leases, and wells as described in Exhibit A.

Applicant is authorized to store and measure oil and gas production off-lease from the pools, leases, and wells as described in Exhibit A at a central tank battery or gas title transfer meter described in Exhibit A.

Applicant is authorized to surface commingle oil and gas production from wells not included in Exhibit A but that produce from a pool and lease as described in Exhibit A.

Applicant is authorized to store and measure oil and gas production off-lease from wells not included in Exhibit A but that produce from a pool and lease as described in Exhibit A at a central tank battery or gas title transfer meter described in Exhibit A.

- 2. The allocation of oil and gas production to wells not included in Exhibit A but that produce from a pool and lease as described in Exhibit A shall be determined in the same manner as to wells identified in Exhibit A that produce from that pool and lease, provided that if more than one allocation method is being used or if there are no wells identified in Exhibit A that produce from the pool and lease, then allocation of oil and gas production to each well not included in Exhibit A shall be determined by OCD prior to commingling production from it with the production from another well.
- 3. The oil and gas production for each well identified in Exhibit A shall be separated and metered prior to commingling it with production from another well.

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- 4. Applicant shall measure and market the commingled oil at a central tank battery described in Exhibit A in accordance with this Order and 19.15.18.15. NMAC or 19.15.23.8. NMAC.
- 5. Applicant shall measure and market the commingled gas at a well pad, central delivery point, central tank battery, or gas title transfer meter described in Exhibit A in accordance with this Order and 19.15.19.9. NMAC, provided however that if the gas is vented or flared, and regardless of the reason or authorization pursuant to 19.15.28.8 B. NMAC for such venting or flaring, Applicant shall measure or estimate the gas in accordance with 19.15.28.8 E. NMAC.
- 6. Applicant shall calibrate the meters used to measure or allocate oil and gas production in accordance with 19.15.12.10 C.(2) NMAC.
- 7. If the commingling of oil and gas production from any pool, lease, or well reduces the value of the commingled oil and gas production to less than if it had remained segregated, no later than sixty (60) days after the decrease in value has occurred Applicant shall submit a new surface commingling application to OCD to amend this Order to remove the pool, lease, or well whose oil and gas production caused the decrease in value. If Applicant fails to submit a new application, this Order shall terminate on the following day, and if OCD denies the application, this Order shall terminate on the date of such action.
- 8. Applicant may submit an application to amend this Order to add pools, leases, and subsequently drilled wells with spacing units adjacent to or within the tracts commingled by this Order by submitting a Form C-107-B in accordance with 19.15.12.10 C.(4)(g) NMAC, provided the pools, leases, and subsequently drilled wells are within the identified parameters included in the Application.
- 9. If a well is not included in Exhibit A but produces from a pool and lease as described in Exhibit A, then Applicant shall submit Forms C-102 and C-103 to the OCD Engineering Bureau after the well has been approved to be drilled and prior to off-lease measuring or commingling oil or gas production from it with the production from another well. The Form C-103 shall reference this Order and identify the well, proposed method to determine the allocation of oil and gas production to it, and the location(s) that commingling of its production will occur.
- 10. Applicant shall not commence commingling oil or gas production from state, federal, or tribal leases until approved by the BLM or NMSLO, as applicable.
- 11. If OCD determines that Applicant has failed to comply with any provision of this Order, OCD may take any action authorized by the Oil and Gas Act or the New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC).

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12. OCD retains jurisdiction of this matter and reserves the right to modify or revoke this Order as it deems necessary.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

GERASIMOS RAZATOS DIRECTOR (ACTING)

**DATE:** 4/30/2025

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# State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

# Exhibit A

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**Operator: Matador Production Company (228937)** 

Central Tank Battery: Weinberger Bivins Tank Battery

Central Tank Battery Location: UL F, G, Section 30, Township 24 South, Range 36 East

**Gas Title Transfer Meter Location:** 

# **Pools**

Pool Name Pool Code JAL;WOLFCAMP, WEST 33813

WC-025 G-08 S253534O;BONE SPRING 97088

Leases as	defined in	19.15.12.7(	(C) NMAC
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Leases as defined in 17.15.1	12.7(0) 11111110	
Lease	UL or Q/Q	S-T-R
Pooled Area Wolfcamp Fee Lease	S/2	31-24S-36E
Pooled Area Bone Spring Fee Lease	S/2	31-24S-36E
CA Wolform NMNM 106600571	W/2 SW/4	30-24S-36E
CA Wolfcamp NMNM 106699571	W/2 W/2	31-24S-36E
CA Dono Spring NIMNIM 10/(00572)	E/2 SW/4	30-24S-36E
CA Bone Spring NMNM 106699573	E/2 W/2	31-24S-36E
CA Walfaama NMNM 10((00227	W/2 SE/4	30-24S-36E
CA Wolfcamp NMNM 106699227	W/2 E/2	31-24S-36E
CA D C NIMNIM 10//00270	E/2 SE/4	30-24S-36E
CA Bone Spring NMNM 106699278	E/2 E/2	31-24S-36E
CA Walfarm NMNM 10((005(0	E/2 SE/4 30-24S-36E	30-24S-36E
CA Wolfcamp NMNM 106699569	E/2 E/2	31-24S-36E
CA W/ 16 NIMBIN 10//00220	E/2 SW/4	30-24S-36E
CA Wolfcamp NMNM 106699228	E/2 W/2	31-24S-36E
CAR C · NIMBINA 40//00###	W/2 SW/4	30-24S-36E
CA Bone Spring NMNM 106699577	W/2 W/2	31-24S-36E

#### Wells

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Well API	Well Name	UL or Q/Q	S-T-R	Pool
30-025-53265	BIVINS FEDERAL COM #138H	E/2 SE/4	30-24S-36E	97088
		E/2 E/2	31-24S-36E	
30-025-53266	BIVINS FEDERAL COM #213H	W/2 SE/4	30-24S-36E	33813
		W/2 E/2	31-24S-36E	
30-025-53267	WEINBERGER FEDERAL COM	W/2 SW/4	30-24S-36E	97088
	#135H	W/2 W/2	31-24S-36E	
30-025-53268	WEINBERGER FEDERAL COM	E/2 SW/4	30-24S-36E	97088
	#136H	E/2 W/2 3	31-24S-36E	

30-025-53269	WEINBERGER FEDERAL COM	W/2 SW/4	30-24S-36E	33813
	#211H	W/2 W/2	31-24S-36E	
30-025-53270	WEINBERGER FEDERAL COM	E/2 SW/4	30-24S-36E	33813
	#212H	E/2 W/2	31-24S-36E	
30-025-53400	BIVINS FEDERAL COM #214H	E/2 SE/4	30-24S-36E	33813
		E/2 E/2	31-24S-36E	33013

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General Information Phone: (505) 629-6116

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CONDITIONS

Action 457265

#### **CONDITIONS**

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MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY	228937
One Lincoln Centre	Action Number:
Dallas, TX 75240	457265
	Action Type:
	[IM-SD] Admin Order Support Doc (ENG) (IM-AAO)

#### CONDITIONS

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sarah.clelland	Please review the content of the order to ensure you are familiar with the authorities granted and any conditions of approval. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me.	4/30/2025