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

# APPLICATION FOR SURFACE COMMINGLING SUBMITTED BY OXY USA, INC

**ORDER NO. PLC-927-A** 

#### **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. Oxy USA, Inc. ("Applicant") submitted a complete application to surface commingle the oil production from the pools, leases, and wells as described in Exhibit A ("Application").
- 2. Applicant proposed a method to allocate the oil 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 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 production from the pools, leases, and wells will not in reasonable probability reduce the value of the oil 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 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.
- 8. This Order is associated with Order PLC-767-E which authorizes in-full or in-part the commingling of Gas production from the pools, leases, and wells as described in Exhibit A.

# **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

9. 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.

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- 10. 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.
- 11. 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.
- 12. 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.
- 13. Commingling of oil 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.
- 14. 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.
- 15. 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 production from the pools, leases, and wells as described in Exhibit A.

Applicant is authorized to store and measure oil 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 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 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. This Order supersedes Order PLC-927.
- 3. The allocation of oil 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 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.

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4. The allocation of oil production shall be based on the production life of each well as measured for three periods: (a) the initial production period shall be measured from the first production until the earlier of either the peak production rate or thirty (30) days after the first production; (b) the plateau period shall be measured from the end of the initial production period to the peak decline rate; and (c) the decline period shall be measured from the end of the plateau period until the well is plugged and abandoned.

During the initial production period, the oil production for each well identified in Exhibit A shall be allocated using a production curve calculated from a minimum of ten (10) well tests per month, except that any day in which a well test cannot achieve an accurate result due to a temporary change in oil production shall not be included in the computation of time determining the well test schedule. The production curve shall be calculated by interpolating daily production for each day using the known daily production obtained by well tests and shall use a method of interpolation that is at minimum as accurate as maintaining a constant rate of change for each day's production between the known daily production values.

During the plateau period, the oil production for each well identified in Exhibit A shall be allocated using a minimum of three (3) well tests per month.

During the decline period, the oil production for each well identified in Exhibit A shall be allocated as follows: (a) a minimum of three (3) well tests per month when the decline rate is greater than twenty-two percent (22%) per month; (b) a minimum of two (2) well tests per month when the decline rate is between twenty-two percent (22%) and ten percent (10%) per month; and (c) a minimum of one (1) well test per month when the decline rate is less than ten percent (10%) per month.

Upon OCD's request, Applicant shall submit a Form C-103 to the OCD Engineering Bureau that contains the decline rate curve and other relevant information demonstrating the production life of a well.

Applicant shall conduct a well test by separating and metering the oil production from that well for either (a) a minimum of twenty-four (24) consecutive hours; or (b) a combination of nonconsecutive periods that meet the following conditions: (i) each period shall be a minimum of six (6) hours; and (ii) the total duration of the nonconsecutive periods shall be a minimum of eighteen (18) hours.

The well test requirements of this Order shall be suspended for any well shut-in for a period that continues for more than fifteen (15) days until the well commences production.

- 5. 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.
- 6. Applicant shall calibrate the meters used to measure or allocate oil production in accordance with 19.15.12.10 C.(2) NMAC.
- 7. If the commingling of oil production from any pool, lease, or well reduces the value of the commingled oil production to less than if it had remained segregated, no later than sixty (60)

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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 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 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).
- 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

Albert Chang

ALBERT CHANG DIRECTOR **DATE:** 7/16/2025

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

# Exhibit A

Order: PLC-927-A

Operator: Oxy USA, Inc. (16696)

Central Tank Battery: Red Tank 26 Central Processing Facility

Central Tank Battery Location: UL G, Section 26, Township 22 South, Range 32 East Gas Title Transfer Meter Location: UL G, Section 26, Township 22 South, Range 32 East

# **Pools**

Pool Name Pool Code RED TANK; BONE SPRING 51683 WC-025 G-09 S223332A;UPR WOLFCAMP 98177

Leases as	defined	in 19.1	l5.12.7(	$(\mathbf{C})$	) NMAC
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Lease	Lease UL or Q/Q S-T-R				
BLM Lease NMNM 105314953 (002379)	All	25-22S-32E			
SLO Lease V0 2512 0004	W/2	36-22S-32E			
BLM Lease NMNM 105336559 (081633)	NE/4 NE/4, S/2	24-22S-32E			
BLM Lease NMNM 105445292 (096237)	SW/4 SE/4	13-22S-32E			
BLM Lease NMNM 105364925 (087268)	W/2 NE/4, SE/4 NE/4, NW/4	24-22S-32E			
BLM Lease NMNM 105480099 (105328)	N/2	24-22S-32E			
CA Wolfcamp NMNM 105823527	E/2	25-22S-32E			
CA Wollcamp WMWI 105625527	E/2	36-22S-32E			
CA Bone Spring NMNM 106353895	E/2 E/2	25-22S-32E			
CA bone spring twitter 100333073	E/2 E/2	36-22S-32E			
CA Wolfcamp NMNM 105830188	W/2	25-22S-32E			
CA Woncamp INVINIT 103030100	W/2	36-22S-32E			
CA Bone Spring NMNM 106354887	W/2	25-22S-32E			
CA bone Spring WilWi 100554007	W/2	36-22S-32E			
CA Bone Spring NMNM 106353894	W/2 E/2	25-22S-32E			
CA bone Spring INVINIT 100333074	W/2 E/2	36-22S-32E			
CA Upper Wolfcamp SLO 204557 PUN 1398522	W/2	25-22S-32E			
CA Opper Woncamp SEO 204337 I ON 1370322	W/2	36-22S-32E			
CA Upper Wolfcamp SLO 204558 PUN 1398517	E/2	25-22S-32E			
CA Upper Woncamp SLO 204558 FON 1578517	E/2	36-22S-32E			
<b>CA Bone Spring SLO 204731 PUN 1401750</b>	W/2	25-22S-32E			
CA bone Spring SLO 204/311 ON 1401/30	W/2	36-22S-32E			
CA Bone Spring SLO 204769 PUN 1402109	W/2 E/2	25-22S-32E			
CA bone Spring SLO 204707 FON 1402109	W/2 E/2	36-22S-32E			
CA Bone Spring SLO 204807 PUN 1403049	E/2 E/2	25-22S-32E			
CA Duite Spring SLO 204007 PUN 1403049	E/2 E/2	36-22S-32E			

# Wells

Well API	Well Name	UL or Q/Q	S-T-R	Pool
30-025-50949	Stack Cats 25 36 Federal Com #31H	W/2	25-22S-32E	98177
		W/2	36-22S-32E	901//

30-025-50950	Stack Cats 25 36 Federal Com #32H	W/2	25-22S-32E	98177
30-023-30930	Stack Cats 25 50 Federal Colli #52H	W/2	36-22S-32E	901//
30-025-50951	Stack Cats 25 36 Federal Com #33H	W/2	25-22S-32E	98177
30-025-30951		W/2	36-22S-32E	901//
20.025.50052	Stock Cate 25 26 Federal Com #211H	W/2	25-22S-32E	00177
30-025-50953	Stack Cats 25 36 Federal Com #311H	W/2	36-22S-32E	98177
20 025 50052	Stack Cats 25 36 Federal Com #34H	E/2	25-22S-32E	98177
30-025-50952	Stack Cats 25 50 Federal Com #54H	<b>E/2</b>	36-22S-32E	901//
20.025.50054	Stack Cats 25 36 Federal Com #312H	E/2	25-22S-32E	98177
30-025-50954		<b>E/2</b>	36-22S-32E	
30-025-50955	Stack Cats 25 36 Federal Com #313H	E/2	25-22S-32E	98177
		<b>E/2</b>	36-22S-32E	
20.025.51552	C41- C-4- 25 26 F-11 C #22H	W/2	25-22S-32E	51683
30-025-51752	Stack Cats 25 36 Federal Com #22H	W/2	36-22S-32E	51005
20 025 51752	Stack Cats 25 36 Federal Com #23H	W/2	25-22S-32E	£1(02
30-025-51753	Stack Cats 25 56 Federal Com #25H	W/2	36-22S-32E	51683
20 025 51754	Stack Cats 25 36 Federal Com #24H	W/2	25-22S-32E	51683
30-025-51754		W/2	36-22S-32E	
20.025.51555	Stack Cats 25 36 Federal Com #25H	W/2 E/2	25-22S-32E	51683
30-025-51755		W/2 E/2	36-22S-32E	
30-025-51756	Stack Cats 25 36 Federal Com #26H	E/2 E/2	25-22S-32E	51683
30-023-31730	Stack Cats 25 50 Federal Colli #20H	E/2 E/2	36-22S-32E	
30-025-54566	Tuna Nut 24 13 Federal Com #61H	All	13-22S-32E	98177
30-023-34300	Tuna Nut 24 13 Federal Com #0111	All	24-22S-32E	
30-025-54403	Tuna Nut 24 13 Federal Com #62H	All	13-22S-32E	98177
30-023-34403	Tuna Nut 24 13 Federal Com #0211	All	24-22S-32E	
30-025-54564	Tuna Nut 24 13 Federal Com #63H	All	13-22S-32E	98177
30-023-34304	Tuna Nut 24 15 Federal Com #05FI	All	24-22S-32E	701//
30-025-54618	Tuna Nut 24 13 Federal Com #64H	All	13-22S-32E	98177
30-023-34016		All	24-22S-32E	
30-025-54425	Tuna Nut 24 13 Federal Com #65H	All	13-22S-32E	98177
JU-025-54425	Tuna Nut 24 13 Federal Com #05H	All	24-22S-32E	701//
30-025-54563	Tuna Nut 24 13 Federal Com #611H	All	13-22S-32E	98177
		All	24-22S-32E	701//
30-025-54402	Tuna Nut 24 13 Federal Com #612H	All	13-22S-32E	98177
		All	24-22S-32E	701//
30-025-54427	Tuna Nut 24 13 Federal Com #613H	All	13-22S-32E	98177
50-025-5 <b>-1</b> 27		All	24-22S-32E	

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CONDITIONS

Action 486245

#### **CONDITIONS**

Operator:	OGRID:
OXY USA INC	16696
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Houston, TX 772104294	486245
	Action Type:
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#### CONDITIONS

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