

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

**APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL
PERMIAN LLC TO AMEND ORDER
NO. R-20996 (AS AMENDED),
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

**CASE NO. 22974
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(RE-OPEN)**

NOTICE OF FILING SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION

Pursuant to the Examiners' request at the August 4, 2022 hearing, attached is the Supplemental Self-Affirmed Declaration of Chase F. Rice. The Supplemental Declaration addresses questions raised at the August 4, 2022 hearing regarding the status of Marathon Oil Permian LLC's ("Marathon") APDs for the Crossbow wells and Marathon's timeline for commencing drilling of the initial well.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUPPLEMENTAL SELF-AFFIRMED DECLARATION OF CHASE F. RICE

Chase F. Rice hereby states and declares as follows:

1. I am over the age of 18, I am a land professional for Marathon Oil Permian LLC (“Marathon”) and I have personal knowledge of the matters stated herein.
2. I have previously testified before the Oil Conservation Division (“Division”) and my credentials as an expert in petroleum land matters have been accepted as a matter of record.
3. My area of responsibility at Marathon includes the area of Eddy County in New Mexico.
4. I am familiar with the application filed by Marathon in this case, which is attached as **Exhibit 1**.
5. I submit the following supplemental information pursuant to NMAC 19.15.4.12.A(1) in support of the above referenced application.
6. I am familiar with the status of the lands that are subject to this application.
7. The purpose of the application is to amend Order No. R-20996, to allow for an additional one-year extension of time to commence drilling the initial well under the Order.

8. This case went to hearing on August 4, 2022 and no parties entered an appearance or opposed Marathon's extension request.

9. I am providing additional information based on questions asked by the Division at the hearing.

10. First, Marathon has approved APDs for the Crossbow wells.

11. Second, the Crossbow wells are on Marathon's drill schedule for April/May of 2023.

12. If the Division is inclined to grant a shorter extension of time, i.e., less than a full year extension, an extension of time through July 31, 2023 should be sufficient.

13. In my opinion, given the exceptional circumstances presented by this case, including the recent resolution of the litigation described in my prior declaration, a third extension of time, while unusual, seems appropriate and warranted given no other parties have proposed to develop this acreage.

[Signature page follows]

I attest under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New Mexico that the information provided herein is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Dated: August 26, 2022

Chase Rice

Chase F. Rice