BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY TO RE-OPEN CASE NO. 21887 FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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Case	No.	

APPLICATION

Mewbourne Oil Company applies for an order re-opening Case No. 21887 and pooling all uncommitted mineral interest owners in the Bone Spring formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the S/2S/2 of Section 18 and the S/2S/2 of Section 17, Township 18 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support thereof, states:

- 1. Applicant is an interest owner in the S/2S/2 of Section 18 and the S/2S/2 of Section 17, and has the right to drill a well thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill the Local Legend 18/17 B2MP Fed. Com. Well No. 1H to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation, and to dedicate S/2S/2 of Section 18 and the S/2S/2 of Section 17 thereto. The well is a horizontal well, with a first take point in the SW/4SW/4 of 18 and a last take point in the SE/4SE/4 of Section 17.
- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the S/2S/2 of Section 18 and the S/2S/2 of Section 17 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 failed or refused to join in dedicating their interests. Therefore, applicant seeks an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interest owners in the Bone

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Spring formation underlying the S/2S/2 of Section 18 and the S/2S/2 of Section 17, pursuant to

NMSA 1978 §70-2-17.

5. The pooling of all uncommitted mineral interest owners in the Bone Spring

formation underlying the S/2S/2 of Section 18 and the S/2S/2 of Section 17 will prevent the

drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, applicant requests that, after notice and hearing, the Division enter its

order:

A. Re-opening Case No. 21887 and pooling all uncommitted mineral interest owners

in the Bone Spring formation underlying the S/2S/2 of Section 18 and the S/2S/2 of

Section 17;

B. Designating applicant as operator of the well;

C. Considering the cost of drilling, completing, testing, and equipping the well, and

allocating the cost among the well's working interest owners;

D. Approving actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision, together

with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure; and

E. Setting a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling, completing, testing and

equipping the well in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the

well.

Respectfully submitted,

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