BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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APPLICATION

Mewbourne Oil Company applies for an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the S/2 of Section 4 and the SE/4 of Section 5, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support thereof, states:

- 1. Applicant is an interest owner in the S/2 of Section 4 and the SE/4 of Section 5 (containing 480 acres), and has the right to drill a well or wells thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill the following wells to depths sufficient to test the Wolfcamp formation:
 - (a) The Squints 4/5 Fee Well No. 715H, with a first take point in the NE/4SE/4 of Section 4 and a last take point in the NW/4SE/4 of Section 5;
 - (b) The Squints 4/5 Fee Well No. 717H, with a first take point in the SE/4SE/4 of Section 4 and a last take point in the SW/4SE/4 of Section 5;
 - (c) The Squints 4/5 Fee Well No. 825H, with a first take point in the NE/4SE/4 of Section 4 and a last take point in the NW/4SE/4 of Section 5; and
 - (d) The Squints 4/5 Fee Well No. 827H, with a first take point in the NE/4SE/4 of Section 4 and a last take point in the NW/4SE/4 of Section 5.

- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the S/2 of Section 4 and the SE/4 of Section 5 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 wells or to otherwise commit their interests to the wells, 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 Wolfcamp formation underlying the S/2 of Section 4 and the SE/4 of Section 5, pursuant to NMSA 1978 §70-2-17.
- 5. The pooling of all uncommitted mineral interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the S/2 of Section 4 and the SE/4 of Section 5 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. Pooling all uncommitted mineral interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation (Purple Sage; Wolfcamp Gas Pool/Pool Code 98220) underlying the S/2 of Section 4 and the SE/4 of Section 5;
- B. Designating applicant as operator of the wells;
- C. Considering the cost of drilling, completing, and equipping the wells, and allocating the cost among the wells' 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, and equipping the wells in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the wells.

Respectfully submitted,

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