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

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

## **APPLICATION**

Mewbourne Oil Company ("Mewbourne" or "Applicant") (OGRID No. 14744), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, for an order pooling a standard 311.45-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit in the Bone Spring formation underlying Lot 2, SE/4 NW/4, and S/2 NE/4 (S/2 N/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 19, and the S/2 N/2 of Section 20, Township 18 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. In support of its application, Mewbourne states:

- 1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the proposed horizontal spacing unit and has the right to drill thereon.
- 2. Applicant seeks to initially dedicate the above-referenced spacing unit to the drilled **Pretty Bird 20/19 Fed Com #614H** well (API No. 30-015-53749), with a surface location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 20, a first take point in SE/4 NE/4 (Unit H) of Section 20 and a last take point in the SW/4 NW/4 (Unit E) of irregular Section 19.
- 3. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the development of these lands from all mineral owners in the subject spacing unit.
- 4. The pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste, and will protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this matter be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on February 13, 2025, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted mineral owners in the horizontal spacing unit;
- B. Designating Applicant as operator of this spacing unit and the horizontal well to be drilled thereon;
- C. Authorizing Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, completing, and equipping the well;
- D. Approving the actual operating charges and costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures; and
- E. Imposing a 200% charge for the risk assumed by Applicant in drilling and completing the well against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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CASE:	

Application of Mewbourne Oil Company for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant in the abovestyled cause seeks an order pooling all uncommitted mineral owners in the Bone Spring formation underlying a standard 311.45acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit in the Bone Spring formation underlying Lot 2, SE/4 NW/4, and S/2 NE/4 (S/2 N/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 19, and the S/2 N/2 of Section 20, Township 18 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be initially dedicated to the drilled Pretty Bird 20/19 Fed Com #614H well (API No. 30-015-53749), with a surface location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 20, a first take point in SE/4 NE/4 (Unit H) of Section 20 and a last take point in the SW/4 NW/4 (Unit E) of irregular Section 19. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well and the allocation of the costs thereof, the operating costs and charges for supervision, the designation of applicant as operator of the spacing unit, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 11 miles southwest of Loco Hills, New Mexico.