

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

**APPLICATION OF COTERRA ENERGY  
OPERATING CO. TO AMEND ORDER  
NO. R-23279, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
ORDER NO. R-23279**

**APPLICATION**

Coterra Energy Operating (“Coterra”), OGRID Number 330396, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division (“Division”) for the limited purpose of amending Order No. R-23279 (the “Order”) to allow for an extension of time to commence drilling the initial well authorized by the Order until July 31, 2026. As grounds for this application, Coterra states:

1. The Division issued Order R-23279 in Case No. 24118 on July 31, 2024.
2. The Order pooled all uncommitted interests in a standard 640-acre, more or less, Bone Spring horizontal spacing unit comprised of Section 13, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico (the “Unit”).
3. The Order designated Avant Operating, LLC as the operator of the Unit and the wells to be drilled within the Unit.
4. Coterra is Avant Operating, LLC’s successor-in-interest under the Order. In January 2025, Coterra acquired Avant Operating, LLC and Avant Operating, LLC’s interests in the lands subject to the Order.
5. Paragraphs 28 and 29 of the Order require Coterra to commence drilling the initial well within one (1) year of the date of the Order unless Coterra obtains a time extension from the Division for good cause shown. Under the Order, the deadline to commence drilling the initial well is July 31, 2025.

6. Good cause exists for the requested extension.
7. This is Coterra's first request for an extension of time for the Order.
8. Coterra requests an extension of time for one year from July 31, 2025 to July 31, 2026.
9. Accordingly, Coterra requests that the Division extend the deadline to commence drilling the wells to July 31, 2026.

WHEREFORE, Coterra requests this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on July 10, 2025, and after notice and hearing, the Division as required by law, the Division amend Order No. R-23279 as requested herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Application of Coterra Energy Operating Co. to Amend Order No. R-23279, Lea County, New Mexico.** Coterra Energy Operating Co. seeks an order amending Order No. R-23279 to extend the deadline to commence drilling the initial well under the Order. Order R-23279 pooled uncommitted interest owners in standard 640-acre, more or less, Bone Spring horizontal spacing unit comprised of Section 13, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. Said area is located approximately 20 miles west-southwest of Monument, New Mexico.