

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

**IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION FOR  
COMPULSORY POOLING SUBMITTED BY  
COTERRA ENERGY OPERATING COMPANY**

**CASE NO. 25677  
ORDER NO. R-23453-A**

**ORDER**

The Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (“OCD”), having heard this matter through a Hearing Examiner on November 13 and 18, 2025, and after considering the testimony, evidence, and recommendation of the Hearing and Technical Examiners, issues the following Order.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Coterra Energy Operating Company (“Operator”) submitted an application (“Application”) requesting an extension to drill the well(s) as required by Order R-23453 (“Order”).
2. Operator requested a one-year extension to drill the wells within its application and landman’s statement.
3. Operator included an extended development plan within its Exhibit C-2 which requested a two-year extension for drilling three (3) of the wells.
4. Operator identified the owners of uncommitted interests in oil and gas minerals in the Unit and provided evidence that notice of the Application was given.
5. Operator has demonstrated good cause to extend the deadlines in the Order.
6. The Application was heard by the Hearing Examiner, during which Operator presented evidence through affidavits in support of the Application. No other party presented evidence at the hearing.

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

7. OCD has jurisdiction to issue this Order pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-17.
8. Operator satisfied the notice requirements for the Application and the hearing as required by 19.15.4.12 NMAC for its request for a one-year extension to drill the wells. Operator’s extended development plan does not match the request made within the application and

landman's statement and sufficient notice of the extended development plan was not provided. Approval of a one-year extension to drill the wells is protective of correlative rights.

9. OCD satisfied the notice requirements for the hearing as required by 19.15.4.9 NMAC.

**ORDER**

10. The period to drill the well(s) is extended until October 10, 2026.
11. This Order shall terminate automatically if Operator fails to drill and complete the well(s) as stipulated herein unless prior to termination Operator applies, and OCD grants, to amend the Order for good cause shown.
12. OCD retains jurisdiction of this matter for the entry of such orders as may be deemed necessary.
13. The remaining provisions of the Order remain in force or effect.

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**ALBERT C. S. CHANG  
DIRECTOR**

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**Date:** 12/10/2025