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

# APPLICATION OF CHEVRON U.S.A. INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

**CASE NO. 22029** 

## **CHEVRON'S PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. ("Chevron" or "Applicant") (OGRID No. 4323) provides this pre-

hearing statement for the above-referenced cases as required by the rules of the New Mexico Oil

Conservation Division ("Division").

## **APPEARANCES**

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#### STATEMENT OF THE CASE

In **Case No. 22029,** Applicant seeks to dedicate the above-referenced horizontal spacing unit to the following three proposed initial wells: the **DL 9 16 Loch Ness Fed Com 16H** well and the **DL 9 16 Loch Ness Fed Com 17H** well, both horizontally drilled from surface hole locations in the SW/4SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 4 to bottom hole locations in the SE/4SW/4 (Unit O) of Section 16; and the **DL 9 16 Loch Ness Fed Com 18H** well horizontally drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 4 to a bottom hole location in the SE/4SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 16 ("Loch Ness wells").

The completed interval for the proposed **DL 9 16 Loch Ness Fed Com #17H** well is within 330 feet of the quarter-quarter line separating the W/2E/2 from the E/2E/2 of Sections 9 and 16 to allow inclusion of this acreage as proximity tracts into a standard 640-acre horizontal spacing unit.

The Loch Ness wells were all timely commenced and drilled to planned Total Depth under Order No. R-20859 entered on September 13, 2019 in Case No. 20768. The drilling of the **DL 9 16 Loch Ness Fed Com 16H** well was commenced on February 1, 2020, the **DL 9 16 Loch Ness Fed Com 17H** well commenced on February 6, 2020 and the **DL 9 16 Loch Ness Fed Com 18H** well commenced on February 8, 2020. The Loch Ness wells have not yet been completed.

#### **PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

## Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

<u>WITNESS</u>	ESTIMATED TIME	<u>EXHIBITS</u>
Kevin C. Stubbs Land	Pre-filed Testimony	Approx. 2

## **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

There has been no entry of appearance by any party. Chevron plans to present these cases

by affidavit.

Respectfully submitted,

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