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 AMENDED PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. ("Chevron" or "Applicant") (OGRID No. 4323) provides this amended pre-hearing statement for the above-referenced case as required by the rules of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division").

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STATEMENT OF THE CASE

In Case No. 22029, Applicant seeks an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation (Lower Avalon: Red Tank; Bone Spring East and TBS: WC-025 G-06 S213326D; Bone Spring) underlying a standard 640-acre, more or less, horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 of Section 9 and the E/2 of Section 16, Township 22 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. 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. The completed intervals of all wells will comply with statewide setbacks.

The completed interval for the **DL 9 16 Loch Ness Fed Com #17H** well is planned to be 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. Order No R-20859 has expired pursuant to its terms. 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. 3
Kate Schwer Geology	Oral Testimony (hearing transcript incorporated by reference from prior Case No. 20768)	4
ConocoPhillips Company		
<u>WITNESS</u>	ESTIMATED TIME	<u>EXHIBITS</u>
TBD		

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

If at the time of hearing there is no opposition by any party, Chevron will present this case by affidavit.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served on counsel of record by electronic mail on August 2, 2021.

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