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

APPLICATION OF CIMAREX ENERGY CO. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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## **APPLICATION**

Cimarex Energy Co. ("Cimarex"), OGRID Number 215099, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes an application to the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of NMSA (1978), Section 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit underlying the E/2 W/2 of Sections 1 and 12, Township 23 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. In support of this application, Cimarex states as follows:

- 1. Cimarex has an interest in the subject lands and has a right to drill and operate a well thereon.
- 2. Cimarex seeks to dedicate the E/2 W/2 of Sections 1 and 12, Township 23 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico to form a 320-acre, more or less, horizontal spacing unit.
- 3. Cimarex plans to drill the **Coriander 1-12 Fed Com 13H** well to a depth sufficient to test the Wolfcamp formation.
- 4. The well will be horizontally drilled and will be drilled at orthodox locations under the Division's rules.
- 5. Cimarex sought, but has been unable to obtain, a voluntary agreement from all interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the proposed spacing unit to participate in the drilling of the well or to otherwise commit their interests to the well.

6. The pooling of all interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the proposed unit will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Cimarex requests that this case is set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on December 2, 2021, and after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit within the E/2 W/2 of Sections 1 and 12, Township 23 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico;
- B. Designating Cimarex as operator of this unit and the well to be drilled thereon;
- C. Authorizing Cimarex to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the well;
- D. Approving actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure;
- E. Setting a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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Telephone: 505.848.1800 <u>edebrine@modrall.com</u> <u>dmb@modrall.com</u> <u>jla@modrall.com</u> *Attorneys for Applicant*  CASE NO. \_\_\_\_: Application of Cimarex Energy Co. for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted interests within a Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit underlying E/2 W/2 of Sections 1 and 12, Township 23 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the Coriander 1-12 Fed Com 13H well to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for the Coriander 1-12 Fed Com 13H well will be orthodox. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling, completing, and equipping said well, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision while drilling and after completion, designation of Cimarex Energy Co. as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 30 miles west of Jal, New Mexico, New Mexico.