

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

**APPLICATION OF MATADOR PRODUCTION
COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
EDDY COUNTY AND LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

CASE NO. _____

APPLICATION

Matador Production Company (“Matador” or “Applicant”), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a standard 400-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit comprised of the S/2 NE/4 of Section 11 and the S/2 N/2 of Section 12, Township 18 South, Range 31 East (Eddy County), and the S/2 N/2 of Section 7, Township 18 South, 32 East (Lea County), NMPM, New Mexico. In support of its application, Matador states:

1. An affiliate entity of Matador (OGRID No. 228937) is a working interest owner in the proposed horizontal spacing unit and has the right to drill thereon.
2. Applicant seeks to initially dedicate the above-referenced horizontal spacing unit to the proposed **R Fenlaw 1107 Fed Com #122H** well to be drilled from a surface location in the SW/4 NE/4 of Section 11 to a bottom hole location in the SE/4 NE/4 of Section 7.
3. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the development of these lands from all working interest owners in the subject spacing unit.
4. The pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste, and will protect correlative rights.

5. To allow Applicant to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, all uncommitted interests in this horizontal spacing unit should be pooled, and Applicant should be designated the operator of the proposed horizontal well and this horizontal spacing unit.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this matter be set for hearing on February 3, 2022, before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted interests in the proposed horizontal well spacing unit and approving the initial well thereon;
- B. Designating Applicant as operator of this spacing unit and the horizontal well to be drilled thereon;
- C. Authorizing Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equipping, and completing the well;
- D. Approving the actual operating charges and costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures; and
- E. Imposing a 200% charge for the risk assumed by Applicant in drilling and completing the well against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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