

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

**APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL  
COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,  
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

**Case No. 21361  
Case No. 21362  
Case No. 21363  
Case No. 21364**

**APPLICATION OF ASCENT ENERGY,  
LLC, FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,  
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

**Case No. 21393  
Case No. 21394**

**APPLICATION OF APACHE CORPORATION  
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING AND  
APPROVAL OF A HORIZONTAL SPACING  
UNIT FOR A POTASH DEVELOPMENT  
AREA AND PILOT PROJECT,  
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

**Case No. 21489  
Case No. 21490  
Case No. 21491**

**COLGATE PRODUCTION, LLC'S PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

Colgate Production, LLC ("Colgate") provides this Pre-Hearing Statement as required by the rules of the Division.

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### STATEMENT OF THE CASE

These cases consist of competing applications with overlapping proposed spacing units in Sections 28, 29, 30, and 33 of Township 20 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico. Colgate owns an interest in acreage proposed to be pooled. North-South development as proposed by Ascent, now Matador, and by Mewbourne would strand portions of Colgate's acreage. In addition, nearby development by standup wells has not consistently

resulted in adequate production. Laydown wells have consistently been better performers. For this reason, Colgate objects to the development plans proposed by Ascent/Matador and by Mewbourne.

**PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

To be determined.

**PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

These cases are set for a pre-hearing conference on February 17, 2022. Colgate anticipates that a pre-hearing order may be entered, setting these cases for a contested hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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