

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

**APPLICATIONS OF CIMAREX ENERGY  
CO. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,  
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**Case Nos. 22144  
22317  
22517-22520**

**APPLICATIONS OF CHEVRON U.S.A.  
INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,  
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**Case Nos. 22343  
22344  
22375-22377**

**MOTION TO VACATE CONTESTED PRE-HEARING ORDER**

Cimarex Energy Co. (“Cimarex”) moves the Division to vacate the Pre-Hearing Order (“PHO”) in these matters, and the contested hearing scheduled in these cases, and requests that they be set for a scheduling conference on the February 17<sup>th</sup> docket. In support thereof, Cimarex states:

1. This motion is unopposed as to certain cases, and is opposed by Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (“Chevron”) as to other cases.
2. These pooling cases cover conflicting acreage in Township 25 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.
3. Case Nos. 22144, 22317, 22517, 22518, 22375, and 22376 pertain to the Bone Spring formation.
4. Case Nos. 22519, 22520, 22343, and 22344 pertain to the Wolfcamp formation.
5. Counsel for Chevron recently informed the undersigned that the Bone Spring wells (for both applicants) have overlapping spacing units. Therefore, under guidance from the

Chief Hearing Examiner at the February 3<sup>rd</sup> hearing, additional notice needs to be provided to the interest owners in the overlapping Bone Spring well units. Thus, both Cimarex and Chevron agree that the Bone Spring cases should be set for a status conference on February 17<sup>th</sup>.

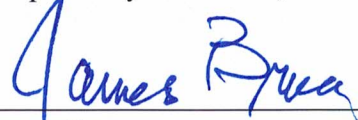
6. Chevron desires to proceed on February 17<sup>th</sup> with the Wolfcamp cases. Cimarex is making a settlement proposal to Chevron on those cases and would like them continued to the March 17<sup>th</sup> hearing, to allow additional time for the parties to discuss settlement.

Chevron strongly opposes Cimarex's continuance request on the Wolfcamp cases, and desires that the matters be heard on February 17<sup>th</sup>.

Cimarex's position is that if the parties cannot reach a settlement, the Bone Spring and Wolfcamp cases should be heard together to avoid, essentially, duplicate hearings at the Division on different dates. That is a waste of time for the Division and the parties.

WHEREFORE, Cimarex requests that the PHO and the contested hearing be vacated, and that all cases be set for a scheduling conference on February 17<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted,



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