## ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF AMEREDEV OPERATING, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO.	

## **APPLICATION**

Ameredev Operating, LLC ("Applicant") (OGRID No. 372224), 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 interest in the Wolfcamp formation [Jal; Wolfcamp, West (33813)] underlying a 640-acre, more or less, standard horizontal well spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Sections 29 and 32 and the W/2 W/2 of Sections 28 and 33, Township 25 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. In support of its application, Applicant states:

- 1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the proposed horizontal spacing unit and has the right to drill thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to initially dedicate the above-referenced spacing unit to the proposed Red Bud 25-36-32 State Com 107H (API 30-025-49593) and the Red Bud 25-36-32 State Com 118H (API pending) to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 32 to a bottom hole location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 29. The completed interval of the Red Bud 25-36-32 State Com 118H will be within 330 feet of the offsetting quarter-quarter sections or equivalent tracts to allow inclusion of these tracts in a standard horizontal spacing unit for oil wells.

- 4. 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.
- 5. The pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste, and will protect correlative rights.
- 6. In order to permit Applicant to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, all uncommitted interests in the horizontal spacing unit should be pooled and Applicant should be designated the operator of this proposed horizontal well spacing unit.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on April 7, 2022, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted interests in the horizontal spacing unit;
- B. Designating Applicant operator of this spacing unit and the horizontal wells to be drilled thereon;
- C. Authorizing Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, completing, and equipping the wells;
- 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% penalty for the risk assumed by Applicant in drilling and completing the wells against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of the wells.

Respectfully submitted,

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