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

APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING AND APPROVAL OF NON-STANDARD SPACING UNIT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

**CASE NO. 22847** 

## PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

COG Operating LLC ("Applicant") submits its Pre-Hearing Statement pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

#### **APPEARANCES**

APPLICANT
COG Operating LLC

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**INTERESTED PARTIES** 

**ATTORNEYS** 

None.

#### **STATEMENT OF THE CASE**

Applicant seeks an order: (1) establishing a 960.16-acre, more or less, non-standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of irregular Section 1 and the N/2 of Section 12, Township 25 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"); and (2) pooling all uncommitted interests in the WC-025 G-09 S243532M; Wolfbone Pool (98098), underlying the Unit.

The Unit will be dedicated to the following proposed initial wells:

- Green Eyeshade Fed Com #601H to be drilled from a surface location in the NW/4 SE/4 (Unit J) of Section 12 to a bottom hole location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Lot 1) of Section 1,
- Green Eyeshade Fed Com #602H and Green Eyeshade Fed Com #702H to be drilled from a surface location in the NW/4 SE/4 (Unit J) of Section 12 to a bottom hole location in the NW/4 NE/4 (Lot 2) of Section 1;
- Green Eyeshade Fed Com #603H and Green Eyeshade Fed Com #703H to be drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 SW/4 (Unit K) of Section 12 to a bottom hole location in the NE/4 NW/4 (Lot 3) of Section 1; and
- Green Eyeshade Fed Com #704H to be drilled from a surface location in the NW/4 SW/4 (Unit L) of Section 12 to a bottom hole location in the NW/4 NW/4 (Lot 4) of Section 1.

The completed intervals of the Wells will be orthodox. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling and completing the wells and the allocation of the costs, the designation of COG Operating, LLC as the operator of the wells, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the wells. The Wells are located approximately 13.6 miles West of Jal, New Mexico.

COG's request for approval of a non-standard 960.16-acre spacing unit is in the best interest of preventing waste and protecting correlative rights. COG has notified interest owners in the offset tracts that surround the Unit and they have waived any objection to COG's proposed non-standard spacing unit.

COG has a crew scheduled to complete these wells on July 15, 2022. As a result, COG respectfully requests that the Division issue an expedited order in this case.

#### **PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

Witness	Occupation	<b>Estimated Time</b>	Exhibits
Matt Solomon	Landman	Affidavit	Approx. 7
Deserae Jennings	Geologist	Affidavit	Approx. 5
Mark Woodward	Reservoir Engineer	Affidavit	Approx. 2

### **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

Applicant will present its case by affidavit if there is no opposition to its application.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### **QUESTIONS**

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#### QUESTIONS

Testimony			
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Number of witnesses	3		
Testimony time (in minutes)	14		