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

APPLICATION OF CIMAREX ENERGY CO., FOR A HORIZONTAL SPACING UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case No. 22894

PREHEARING STATEMENT

Cimarex Energy Co. ("Cimarex"), OGRID No. 215099, through its undersigned attorneys, submits the following Prehearing Statement pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division ("Division").

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APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF CASE

In Case No. 22894, Cimarex seeks an order (1) establishing a standard 640-acre, more or less, spacing and proration unit comprised of the E/2 of Sections 12 and 13, Township 25 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, and (2) pooling all uncommitted mineral

interests in the Wolfcamp formation, designated as a gas pool, underlying said unit. Cimarex dedicates the proposed spacing and proration unit ("HSU") to its Riverbend 12-13 Federal Com 1H Well, Riverbend 12-13 Federal Com 2H Well, Riverbend 12-13 Federal Com 19H Well and Riverbend 12-13 Federal Com 20H Well, as initial wells. The Riverbend 12-13 Federal Com 1H Well, a gas well, is to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of Section 1 to a bottom hole location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 13. The Riverbend 12-13 Federal Com 2H Well, a gas well, is to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of Section 1 to a bottom hole location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 13. The Riverbend 12-13 Federal Com 19H Well, a gas well, is to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of Section 1 to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 13. Finally, the Riverbend 12-13 Federal Com 20H Well, a gas well, is to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of Section 1 to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 13.

Cimarex has sought in good faith, but has been unable to obtain, voluntary agreement from all interest owners to participate in the drilling of the wells or in the commitment of their interests to the wells for development within the proposed HSU. The pooling of all interests in the Wolfcamp formation within the proposed HSU, and establishing the spacing unit, will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

The proposed wells, which will be located in the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp Pool (Code 98220), are unorthodox in their locations, as the take points, at 100' from the boundaries of the HSU extend into the setback requirements of the Special Rules for the Purple Sage Wolfcamp Pool (Order No. R-14262). Accordingly, Cimarex will apply administratively for approval of nonstandard locations (NSLs).

APPLICANT'S PROPOSED EVIDENCE

WITNESS ESTIMATED TIME EXHIBITS

Landman: Riley Morris Approx. 10 min Approx. 5

Geologist: Meera Ramoutar Approx. 10 min Approx. 6

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

No protests or objections have been filed and Cimarex does not anticipate any at this time; consequently, Cimarex plans to conduct the hearing by affidavit.

Respectfully submitted,

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Testimony		
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Number of witnesses	2	
Testimony time (in minutes)	20	