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

APPLICATION OF V-F PETROLEUM, INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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APPLICATION

In accordance with NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, V-F Petroleum Inc. ("V-F Petroleum" or "Applicant"), through its undersigned attorneys, files this application with the Oil Conservation Division ("Division") for an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a 240-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 SE/4 of Section 29 and the E/2 E/2 of Section 32, Township 21 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"). In support of this application, V-F Petroleum states the following.

- 1. Applicant (OGRID No. 24010) is a working interest owner in the Unit and has the right to drill thereon.
 - 2. Applicant seeks to dedicate the Unit to the following proposed wells:
 - a. The Cache River 29 32 State Com #104H well, to be drilled from a surface hole location in the NE/4 SE/4 (Unit I) of Section 29, Township 21 South, Range 35 East, to a bottom hole location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 32, Township 21 South, Range 35 East;
 - b. The Cache River 29 32 State Com #204H well, to be drilled from a surface hole location in the NE/4 SE/4 (Unit I) of Section 29, Township 21 South, Range 35 East, to a bottom hole location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 32, Township 21 South, Range 35 East; and

- c. The Cache River 29 32 State Com # 304H well, to be drilled from a surface hole location in the NE/4 SE/4 (Unit I) of Section 29, Township 21 South, Range 35 East, to a bottom hole location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 32, Township 21 South, Range 35 East.
- 3. The completed intervals of the wells will be orthodox.
- 4. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the development of these lands from all of the interest owners in the Unit.
- 5. The pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and 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 Unit should be pooled and Applicant should be designated the operator of the proposed horizontal wells and the Unit.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on November 3, 2022, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted interests in the Unit;
- B. Approving the initial wells in the Unit;
- C. Designating Applicant as the operator of the Unit and the horizontal wells to be drilled thereon;
- D. Authorizing Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equipping, and completing the wells;
- E. Approving the actual operating charges and costs of supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures; and

F. Imposing a 200% charge 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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