

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

**APPLICATION OF MATADOR PRODUCTION
COMPANY TO AMEND ORDER NO. R-22046,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

CASE NO. _____
ORDER NO. R-22046

APPLICATION

Matador Production Company (“Matador” or “Applicant”), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division to amend Order No. R-22046 (“Order”) to allow for an extension of time for drilling the proposed initial well under the Order. In support of its application, Matador states:

1. Division Order No. R-22046, entered on February 23, 2022, in Case No. 22256, created a standard 320-acre, more or less, horizontal spacing unit comprised of the S/2 N/2 of Section 13, Township 24 South, Range 28 East, and the S/2 N/2 of Section 18, Township 24 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico (the “Unit”), and designated Matador as operator of the Unit.
2. Order No. R-22046 further pooled the uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation (Pierce Crossing; Bone Spring [50371]) in the Unit and dedicated the Unit to the proposed initial **Harrold Melton Fed Com #112H** (API No. 30-015-PENDING) well.
3. Applicant requests that Order No. R-22046 be re-opened and amended to allow Applicant additional time to commence drilling the well under the Order.
4. There is good cause for Applicant’s request for an extension of time to drill. Matador filed permits with the Bureau of Land Management in April 2022 and has not

yet received approval, thereby causing Matador to delay its intended plans to develop the acreage subject to the Order.

5. Under the Order, Applicant would be required to commence drilling the well by February 24, 2023, and therefore, asks for the deadline to commence drilling the well be extended for a year, to February 24, 2024.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on January 5, 2023, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order extending the time for Matador to commence drilling the proposed initial wells under the Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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CASE _____ : **Application of Matador Production Company to Amend Order No. R-22046, Eddy County, New Mexico.** Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks a year extension of time for drilling the well under Order No. R-22046. The Unit is comprised of the S/2 N/2 of Section 13, Township 24 South, Range 28 East, and the S/2 N/2 of Section 18, Township 24 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. Order No. R-22046 pooled the uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation and dedicated the Unit to the proposed initial **Harrold Melton Fed Com #112H** well, to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the SE/4 NE/4 (Unit H) of Section 14, Township 24 South, Range 28 East, to a bottom hole location in the SE/4 NE/4 (Unit H) of Section 18, Township 24 South, Range 29 East. Said area is located 12 miles west of Malaga, New Mexico.