

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

**APPLICATION OF RIDGE RUNNER  
RESOURCES OPERATING, LLC FOR  
EXTENSION TO COMMENCE DRILLING  
OPERATIONS, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. 23280  
ORDER NO. R-21609-A**

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**CASE NO. 23281  
ORDER NO. R-21610-A**

**CONSOLIDATED PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

Ridge Runner Resources Operating, LLC (“Ridge Runner” or “Applicant”) submits its Consolidated Pre-Hearing Statement pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

**APPLICANT**

Ridge Runner Resources Operating, LLC

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**INTERESTED PARTY**

No other parties of record.

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**STATEMENT OF THE CASE**

In **Case No. 23280**, Ridge Runner applies for an order amending Order No. R-21609-A to extend the deadline to commence drilling operations to one-year from the date of the amended order. Order No. R-21609 pooled all uncommitted mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a 320-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2W/2 of Sections 2 and 11, Township 20 South, Range 35 East in Lea County, New Mexico and dedicated the unit to the Zeus 2-11 Fed Com #1H Well. The order designated Applicant as the operator of the unit and the well. Order No. R-21609-A extended the deadline to commence drilling operations until February 23, 2023. Applicant has experienced delays associated with the issuance of drilling permits, the supply chain, and rig availability, and will continue to be impacted by delays associated with the well's location within Lesser Prairie Chicken habitat. Accordingly, Applicant requests the Division amend Order No. R-21609-A to extend the deadline to commence drilling operations to one-year from the date of the amended order.

In **Case No. 23281**, Ridge Runner applies for an order amending Order No. R-21610-A to extend the deadline to commence drilling operations to one-year from the date of the amended order. Order No. R-21610 pooled all uncommitted mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a 320-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2W/2 of Sections 2 and 11, Township 20 South, Range 35 East in Lea County, New Mexico and dedicated the unit to the Zeus 2-11 Fed Com #2H Well. The order designated Applicant as the operator of the unit and the well. Order No. R-21610-A extended the deadline to commence drilling operations until February 23, 2023. Applicant has experienced delays associated with the issuance of drilling permits, the supply chain, and rig availability, and will continue to be impacted by delays associated with the well's location within Lesser Prairie Chicken habitat. Accordingly, Applicant

requests the Division amend Order No. R-21610-A to extend the deadline to commence drilling operations for one-year from the date of the amended order.

The wells are located approximately 16 miles southwest of Hobbs, New Mexico.

**PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

<b>Witness</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Estimated Time</b>	<b>Exhibits</b>
Michael Burke	Geologist	Affidavit	Approx. 5

**PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

Applicant intends to consolidate these cases for hearing and will present these matters by affidavit if there is no opposition.

Respectfully submitted,

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QUESTIONS

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**QUESTIONS**

<b>Testimony</b>	
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