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

APPLICATION OF BTA OIL PRODUCERS, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**CASE NO. 23273** 

### PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

BTA Oil Producers, LLC ("BTA" or "Applicant") submits its Pre-Hearing Statement pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

APPLICANT

BTA Oil Producers, LLC

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INTERESTED PARTIES

**ATTORNEYS** 

None.

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

BTA applies for an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Pennsylvanian Shale formation underlying a 224.59-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of Lots 3 and 4 (W/2 SW/4 equivalent) of irregular Section 19 and Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 (W/2 W/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 30, Township 17 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico. The spacing unit will be dedicated to the **Altamont 7903 19-30 State Com 2H** well ("Well"), to be drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 NW/4 (Unit F) of Section 19 to a bottom hole location in Lot 4 (SW/4 SW/4 equivalent) of irregular Section 30.

The completed interval of the Well will be orthodox. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the Well and the allocation of the costs, the designation of Applicant as the operator of the Well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the Well.

The Well is located approximately 9 miles south of Lovington, New Mexico.

## **PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

| Witness        | Occupation | <b>Estimated Time</b> | <b>Exhibits</b> |
|----------------|------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Rex D. Barker  | Landman    | Affidavit             | Approx. 5       |
| David Childers | Geologist  | Affidavit             | Approx. 5       |

# **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

Applicant will present this matter by affidavit if there is no opposition.

Respectfully submitted,

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QUESTIONS

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#### **QUESTIONS**

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| BTA OIL PRODUCERS, LLC | 260297                                   |
| 104 S Pecos            | Action Number:                           |
| Midland, TX 79701      | 175191                                   |
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#### QUESTIONS

| Testimony   |               |  |
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| Please assist us by provide the following information about your testimony. |               |  |
| Number of witnesses   | Not answered. |  |
| Testimony time (in minutes)   | Not answered. |  |