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

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

CASE NO. 23302 ORDER NO. R-21586-A

# PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

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

# **APPEARANCES**

APPLICANT

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**INTERESTED PARTIES** 

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No other parties of record.

# STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Ridge Runner seeks an order amending Order No. R-21586-A to extend the deadline to commence drilling operations to one-year from the date of the amended order. Order No. R-21586: pooled all uncommitted mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a standard 480-acre horizontal spacing unit comprised of the SW/4 of Section 3 and the W/2 of Section 10, Township 20 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"); dedicated the Unit to the

Thunderbird 3-10 Fed Com B #1H, 2H, 3H, and 4H wells ("Wells"); and designated Applicant as operator of the Unit and Wells. Order No. R-21586-A extended the deadline to commence drilling the Wells until January 21, 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 resulting from the location of the Wells in relation to Lesser Prairie Chicken habitat. Accordingly, Applicant requests the Division amend Order No. R-21586-A to extend the deadline to commence drilling operations to one-year from the date of the amended order.

The Wells are located approximately 13 miles west of Monument, New Mexico.

### **PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

Witness	Occupation	<b>Estimated Time</b>	Exhibits
Michael Burke	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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#### QUESTIONS

Testimony			
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Number of witnesses	Not answered.		
Testimony time (in minutes)	Not answered.		