

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

**APPLICATION OF EARTHSTONE OPERATING,
LLC TO EXTEND TIME TO COMMENCE
DRILLING OPERATIONS,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. 23714
ORDER NO. R-22271**

**APPLICATION OF EARTHSTONE OPERATING,
LLC TO EXTEND TIME TO COMMENCE
DRILLING OPERATIONS,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. 23715
ORDER NO. R-22272**

CONSOLIDATED PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

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

APPLICANT

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INTERESTED PARTIES

None.

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STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Earthstone requests a one-year extension of time to commence drilling the wells authorized by Order Nos. R-22271 and R-22272 until September 2, 2024. The Division entered Order No. R-22271 in Case No. 22851 on September 2, 2022. The Order: pooled all uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a 240-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Section 30 and the E/2 NE/4 of irregular Section 31, Township 26

South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico; dedicated the Unit to the Los Vaqueros Fed Com 214H well; and designated Titus Oil and Gas Production, LLC (“Titus”) as operator of the unit and well.

The Division entered Order No. R-22272 in Case No. 22852 on September 2, 2022. The Order: pooled all uncommitted interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a 240-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Section 30 and the E/2 NE/4 of irregular Section 31, Township 26 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico; dedicated the unit to the Los Vaqueros Fed Com 434H well; and designated Titus as operator of the unit and well.

Earthstone is the successor in interest to Titus. Good cause exists for an extension to commence drilling the wells because Earthstone recently acquired Titus’ interests and requires additional time to drill and complete the wells. Therefore, Earthstone requests that the Division extend the deadline to commence drilling the wells until September 2, 2024.

The Los Vaqueros Fed Com wells are located approximately 13 miles southwest of Jal, New Mexico.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

<u>Witness</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Estimated Time</u>	<u>Exhibits</u>
Brian A. Van Staveren	Senior Landman	Affidavit	Approx. 2

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

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

Respectfully submitted,

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QUESTIONS

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Testimony	
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