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

**CASE NO. 23665** 

### **HEARING EXHIBITS**

### Compulsory Pooling Checklist

Exhibit A	Self-Affirmed Statement of Adams Davenport			
A-1	Application & Proposed Notice of Hearing			
A-2	C-102			
A-3	Plat of Tracts, Tract Ownership, Applicable Lease Numbers, Pooled Parties, Unit Recapitulation			
A-4	Sample Well Proposal Letter & AFE			
A-5	Chronology of Contact			
Exhibit B	Self-Affirmed Statement of David Childers			
B-1	Location Map of the Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H well			
B-2	Subsea Structure Map			
B-3	Stratigraphic Cross-Section			
B-4	Gross Isopach Map			
Exhibit C	Self-Affirmed Statement of Dana S. Hardy			
C-1	Sample Notice Letter to All Interested Parties			
C-2	Chart of Notice to All Interested Parties			
C-3	Copies of Certified Mail Receipts and Returns			
C-4	Affidavit of Publication for July 14, 2023			

COMPULSORY POOLING APPLICATION CHECKLIST				
ALL INFORMATION IN THE APPLICATION MUST BE SUPPORTED BY SIGNED AFFIDAVITS				
Case: 23665	APPLICANT'S RESPONSE			
Date	September 21, 2023			
Applicant	BTA Oil Producers, LLC			
Designated Operator & OGRID (affiliation if applicable)	OGRID No. 260297			
Applicant's Counsel:	Hinkle Shanor LLP			
Case Title:	Application of BTA Oil Producers, LLC for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.			
Entries of Appearance/Intervenors:	Greyhound Resources Company			
Well Family	Capitan			
Formation/Pool				
Formation Name(s) or Vertical Extent:	Pennsylvanian Shale			
Primary Product (Oil or Gas):	Oil			
Pooling this vertical extent:	Pennsylvanian Shale			
Pool Name and Pool Code:	WC025 G09 S173615C; Upper Penn Pool (Code 98333)			
Well Location Setback Rules:	Statewide			
Spacing Unit				
Type (Horizontal/Vertical)	Horizontal			
Size (Acres)	320-acres			
Building Blocks:	quarter-quarter			
Orientation:	North/South			
Description: TRS/County	E/2 W/2 of Sections 22 and 27, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, Lea County.			
Standard Horizontal Well Spacing Unit (Y/N), If No, describe and is approval of non-standard unit requested in this application?	Yes.			
Other Situations				
Depth Severance: Y/N. If yes, description	No			
Proximity Tracts: If yes, description	No			
Proximity Defining Well: if yes, description	N/A			
Applicant's Ownership in Each Tract	Exhibit A-3			
Well(s)				
Name & API (if assigned), surface and bottom hole location, footages, completion target, orientation, completion status (standard or non-	Add wells as needed			
standard) Well #1	Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H (API #) SHL: 250' FSL & 1330' FWL (Unit N), Section 27, T16S, R36E BHL: 50' FNL & 1980' FWL (Unit C), Section 22, T16S, R36E Completion Target: Approx. 11,540' TVD			
Horizontal Well First and Last Take Points	Exhibit A-2			
Completion Target (Formation, TVD and MD)	Exhibit A-4			
AFE Capex and Operating Costs				
Drilling Supervision/Month \$	\$12,000.00			

Production Supervision/Month \$ \$1,200.00  Justification for Supervision Costs Exhibit A  Requested Risk Charge 200%  Notice of Hearing
Requested Risk Charge 200%
Notice of Hearing
Proposed Notice of Hearing Exhibit A-1
Proof of Mailed Notice of Hearing (20 days before hearing) Exhibit C-1, Exhibit C-2, Exhibit C-3
Proof of Published Notice of Hearing (10 days before hearing)  Exhibit C-4
Ownership Determination
Land Ownership Schematic of the Spacing Unit Exhibit A-3
Tract List (including lease numbers and owners)  If approval of Non-Standard Spacing Unit is requested, Tract List (including lease numbers and owners) of Tracts subject to notice requirements.  Exhibit A-3  Exhibit A-3
Pooled Parties (including ownership type) Exhibit A-3
Unlocatable Parties to be Pooled N/A
Ownership Depth Severance (including percentage above & below)  N/A
Joinder
Sample Copy of Proposal Letter Exhibit A-4
List of Interest Owners (ie Exhibit A of JOA) Exhibit A-3
Chronology of Contact with Non-Joined Working Interests Exhibit A-5
Overhead Rates In Proposal Letter Exhibit A-4
Cost Estimate to Drill and Complete Exhibit A-4
Cost Estimate to Equip Well Exhibit A-4
Cost Estimate for Production Facilities Exhibit A-4
Geology
Summary (including special considerations) Exhibit B
Spacing Unit Schematic Exhibit B-1
Gunbarrel/Lateral Trajectory Schematic N/A
Well Orientation (with rationale) Exhibit B
Target Formation Exhibit B
HSU Cross Section Exhibit B-3
Depth Severance Discussion N/A
Forms, Figures and Tables
C-102 Exhibit A-2
Tracts Exhibit A-3
Summary of Interests, Unit Recapitulation (Tracts) Exhibit A-3
General Location Map (including basin) Exhibit B-1
Well Bore Location Map Exhibit B-1
Structure Contour Map - Subsea Depth Exhibit B-2
Cross Section Location Map (including wells) Exhibit B-2
Cross Section (including Landing Zone) Exhibit B-3
Gross Isopach Map Exhibit B-4

Additional Information	
Special Provisions/Stipulations	N/A
CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the information provide	ded in this checklist is complete and accurate.
Printed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	Dana S. Hardy
Signed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	/s/ Dana S. Hardy
Date:	9/19/2023

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## SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF ADAMS DAVENPORT

- 1. I am a landman at BTA Oil Producers, LLC ("BTA") and am over 18 years of age. I have personal knowledge of the matters addressed herein and am competent to provide this Self-Affirmed Statement. I have previously testified before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") and my credentials as an expert in land matters were accepted as a matter of record.
- 2. I am familiar with the land matters involved in the above-referenced case. Copies of BTA's application and proposed hearing notice are attached as **Exhibit A-1**.
- 3. None of the parties proposed to be pooled in this case indicated opposition to this matter proceeding by affidavit, therefore I do not expect any opposition at hearing.
- 4. BTA seeks an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian Shale formation underlying a 320-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 W/2 of Section 27 and the E/2 W/2 of Section 22, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit").
- 5. The Unit will be dedicated to the Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H well ("Well"), which will be completed in the WC025 G09 S173615C; Upper Penn Pool (Code 98333). The Well will be horizontally drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of Section 27 to a bottom hole location in the NE/4 NW/4 (Unit C) of Section 22.
  - 6. The completed interval of the Well will be orthodox.

BTA Oil Producers, LLC Case No. 23665 Exhibit A

- 7. **Exhibit A-2** contains the C-102 for the Well.
- 8. **Exhibit A-3** contains a plat identifying ownership by tract in the Unit. This exhibit also includes any applicable lease numbers, a unit recapitulation, and the interests BTA seeks to pool highlighted in yellow. All of the parties are locatable.
- 9. BTA has conducted a diligent search of all county public records including phone directories and computer databases.
- 10. **Exhibit A-4** contains a sample well proposal letter and AFE sent to working interest owners for the Well. The estimated costs reflected on the AFE are fair and reasonable and comparable to the cost of other wells of similar depth and length drilled in the subject formation in the area.
- 11. In my opinion, BTA made a good-faith effort to reach voluntary joinder of uncommitted interests in the Well as indicated by the chronology of contact described in **Exhibit** A-5.
- 12. BTA requests overhead and administrative rates of \$12,000 per month while the Well is being drilled and \$1,200 per month while the Well is producing. These rates are fair and are comparable to the rates charged by BTA and other operators in the vicinity.
- 13. The attached exhibits were either prepared by me or under my supervision or were compiled from company business records.
- 14. In my opinion, the granting of BTA's application will serve the interests of conservation, the protection of correlative rights, and the prevention of waste.
- 15. I understand this Self-Affirmed Statement will be used as written testimony in this case. I affirm that my testimony above is true and correct and is made under penalty of perjury

under the laws of the State of New Mexico. My testimony is made as of the date handwritten next to my signature below.

Adams Davenport

<u>09/19/2023</u> Date

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#### **APPLICATION**

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, BTA Oil Producers, LLC (OGRID No. 260297) ("BTA" or "Applicant") applies for an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Pennsylvanian Shale formation underlying a 320-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 W/2 of Sections 22 and 27, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"). In support of this application, BTA states the following.

- 1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the Unit and has the right to drill wells thereon.
- 2. The Unit will be dedicated to the **Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H** well ("Well"), to be drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of Section 27, to a bottom hole location in the NE/4 NW/4 (Unit C) of Section 22.
  - 3. The completed interval of the Well will be orthodox.
- 4. Applicant has undertaken diligent, good-faith efforts to obtain voluntary agreements from all interest owners to participate in the drilling of the Well but has been unable to obtain voluntary agreements from all interest owners.
- 5. The pooling of uncommitted interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.

BTA Oil Producers, LLC Case No. 23665 Exhibit A-1 6. In order to allow Applicant to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas

underlying the subject lands, all uncommitted interests in the Unit should be pooled and Applicant

should be designated as the operator of the Well and Unit.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an

Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on August 3, 2023, and, after notice and hearing as

required by law, the Division enter an order:

Pooling all uncommitted interests in the Unit; A.

Approving the Well in the Unit; B.

C. Designating Applicant as operator of the Unit and the Well to be drilled thereon;

D. Authorizing Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the

Well;

E. Approving the actual operating charges and costs of supervision while drilling and

after completion, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the

COPAS accounting procedures; and

F. Imposing a 200% penalty for the risk assumed by Applicant in drilling and

completing the Well against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily

participate in the drilling of the Well.

Respectfully submitted,

HINKLE SHANOR LLP

/s/ Dana S. Hardy

Dana S. Hardy

Jaclyn M. McLean

Yarithza Peña

P.O. Box 2068

Santa Fe, NM 87504-2068

Phone: (505) 982-4554

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dhardy@hinklelawfirm.com jmclean@hinklelawfirm.com ypena@hinklelawfirm.com Counsel for BTA Oil Producers, LLC Application of BTA Oil Producers, LLC for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Pennsylvanian Shale formation underlying a 320-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 W/2 of Sections 22 and 27, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"). The Unit will be dedicated to the Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H well ("Well"), to be drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of Section 27, to a bottom hole location in the NE/4 NW/4 (Unit C) of Section 22. 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 cost, the designation of Applicant as operator of the Well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the Well. The Well is located approximately 3 miles south of Lovington, New Mexico.

District 1 1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240 Phone: (575) 393-6161 Fax: (575) 393-0720 District II 811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210

Phone: (575) 748-1283 Fax: (575) 748-9720 District III 1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410 Phone: (505) 334-6178 Fax: (505) 334-6170 District IV

1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505 Phone: (505) 476-3460 Fax: (505) 476-3462

State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-102 Revised August 1, 2011 Submit one copy to appropriate District Office

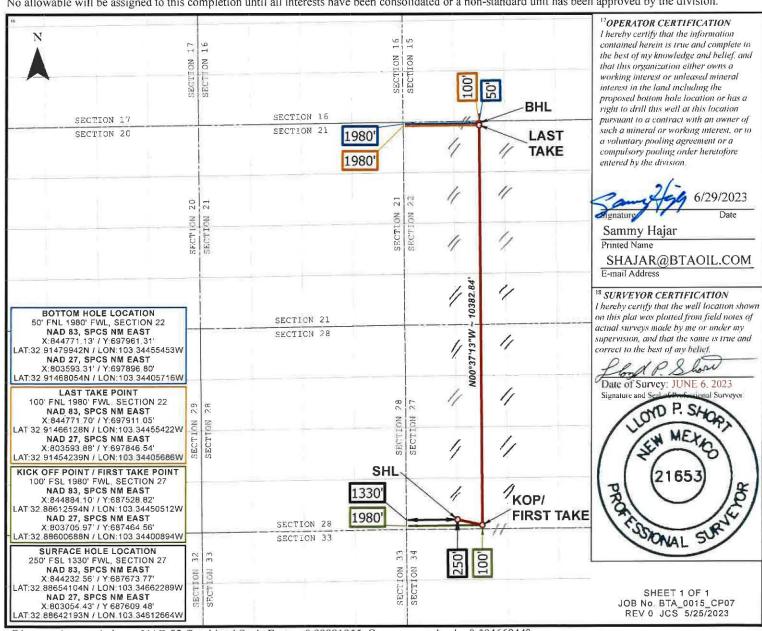
■ AMENDED REPORT

**BTA Oil Producers, LLC** Case No. 23665 Exhibit A-2

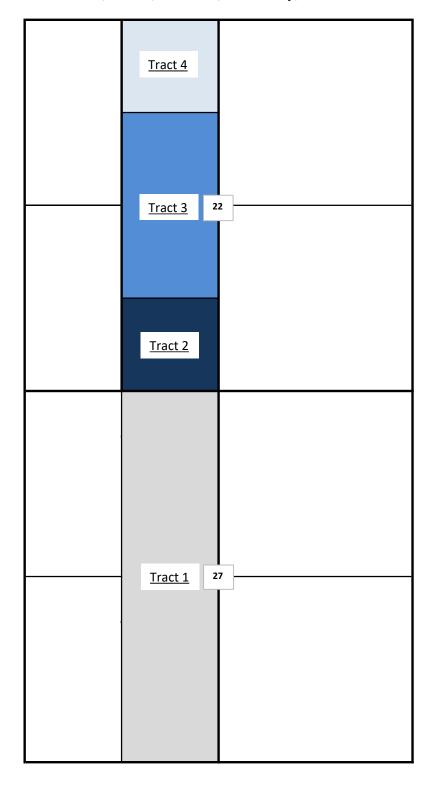
#### WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

<sup>†</sup> API Number			<sup>2</sup> Pool Code 98333		WC025 G	<sup>3</sup> Pool Name 09 S173615C ; U	JPPER PENN		
* Property Co	ode			САРІТ	AN 22301 27-22 STATE COM			° Well Number 20H	
26029		* Operator Name ** Elevation					3884		
				1	<sup>0</sup> Surface Lo	ocation			
UL or lot no.	Section 27	Township 16S	Range 36E	Lot ldn	Feet from the 250	South	Feet from the 1330	West line	County LEA
			11 B	ottom F	lole Location	n If Different F	rom Surface		
UL or lot no.	Section 22	Township 16S	36E	Lot Idn	Feet from the 50	North/South line North	Feet from the 1980	East/West line West	County LEA
Dedicated Acres 320	13 3	oint or Infill	14 Cons	olidation Code	18 Order No.				

No allowable will be assigned to this completion until all interests have been consolidated or a non-standard unit has been approved by the division.



320 Acre Spacing Unit for the Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H Well Covering the W/2 W/2 of Section 27 and W/2 W/2 of Section 22, T-16-S, R-36-E, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico



BTA Oil Producers, LLC Case No. 23665 Exhibit A-3

### Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H Unit Recapitulation

Tract 1	Leasehold Owner	WI	160 Acres
State of New Mexico OGL VC-0833 E/2 W/2 Section 27, T16S, R36E, Lea County, New Mexico	BTA Oil Producers, LLC	100.0000%	160.0000
Tract 2	Leasehold Owner	WI	40 Acres
State of New Mexico OGL VC-0842 SE/4 SW/4 Section 22, T16S, R36E, Lea County, New Mexico	Slash Exploration Broughton Petroleum Inc.	100.0000%	40.0000
Tract 3	Leasehold Owner	WI	80 Acres
Fee NE/4 SW/4, SE/4 NW/4 Section 22, T16S-R36E, Lea County, New Mexico	BTA Oil Producers, LLC Black Shale Minerals, LLC Chisos, Ltd Macdonald 1996 Revocable Trust, dated January 11, 1996	68.7500% 12.5000% 12.5000% 6.2500%	55.0000 10.0000 10.0000 5.0000
Tract 4	Leasehold Owner	WI	40 Acres
State of New Mexico OGL VC-0879 NE/4 NW/4 Section 22, T16S, R36E, Lea County, New Mexico	Greyhound Resources, LLC	100.0000%	40.0000
Recapitulation	Leasehold Owner	WI	320 Acres
Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H	BTA Oil Producers, LLC Slash Exploration Broughton Petroleum Inc. Black Shale Minerals, LLC Chisos, Ltd	67.1875% 12.5000% 0.0000% 3.1250% 3.1250%	215.0000 40.0000 0.0000 10.0000 10.0000
Total	Macdonald 1996 Revocable Trust, dated January 11, 1996 Greyhound Resources, LLC	1.5625% 12.5000% 100.0000%	5.0000 40.0000 320.0000
	Uncommitted Royalty Interests Black Shale Minerals, LLC Chisos, Ltd		

\*Parties seeking to pool are highlighted in yellow.



BTA OIL PRODUCERS, LLC

104 SOUTH PECOS STREET MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701-5021 432-682-3753 FAX 432-683-0314

**GULF COAST DISTRICT** 

TOTAL PLAZA 1201 LOUISIANA STREET, STE. 3375 HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002 713-658-0077

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT** 600 17TH STREET, STE. 2230 SOUTH DENVER, COLORADO, 80202 303-534-4404 FAX 303-534-4661

April 19, 2023

CARLTON BEAL, JR.

BARRY BFAL

**KELLY BEAL** 

SPENCER BEAL

BARRY BEAL, IR.

HILL DAVENPORT

ROBERT DAVENPORT, JR.

ASHLEY BEAL LAFEVERS

STUART BEAL

ALEX BEAL

TREY FUQUA

In re: Well Proposal

Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H

SHL: 250' FSL & 1,330' FWL Section 27, T16S, R36E BHL: 50' FNL & 1,980' FWL Section 22, T16S, R36E

Lea County, New Mexico

BTA 22300 Arbor 2

Macdonald 1996 Revocable Trust, dated January 11, 1996 PO Box 5870 Ketchum, ID 83340

To whom it may concern:

BTA Oil Producers, LLC ("BTA") proposes to drill the Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H (the "Well"), a horizontal, communitized, Pennsylvanian Shale Well with a TVD of 11,540' and a MD of 21,795'. The Well will be drilled as a two mile horizontal well at the above captioned location (the "Operation"). The Cumulative Well Costs of the Operation are estimated to be \$13,946,261.00 as detailed in our enclosed Authority for Expenditure ("AFE").

BTA proposes drilling the Well under the terms of a new 2015 AAPL Form 610-2015 Model Form Operating Agreement with following general provisions:

- 300% / 100% / 300% non-consent penalty;
- \$8,000.00 / \$800.00 drilling and producing rates;
- Contract Area of 320 acres, being the E2 W2 of Section 27, T16S-R36E and E2 W2 of Section 22, T16S, R36E, limited to the Pennsylvanian Shale formation; and
- BTA Oil Producers, LLC named as Operator.

If you do not wish to participate in the proposed wells, BTA would like to lease your interest. The Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease will contain these general provisions:

- Three Year Primary Term;
- \$200/net acre
- 20% Royalty

**BTA Oil Producers, LLC** Case No. 23665 Exhibit A-4

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Find enclosed a copy of our AFE for the drilling of the Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H. If you elect to participate in the drilling of the Well, please so indicate by returning a signed copy of this letter along with a signed copy of the AFE to this office using the enclosed envelope. Please note the Well is a horizontal well and there will not be a casing point election.

Your election must be received by BTA within 30 days of your receipt of this letter. In the event that there has been no election after 30 days from your receipt of this letter, BTA will submit an application for a Compulsory Pooling Order with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please let me know.

	Sincerely,	
	adams 2	B. Davenport
	Adams B. D	avenport
	Business De	evelopment
	Elect to Participate in the Capitan 22301 27-22 State Con (Send well information requirements to BTA)	n #20H Well
	Elect to not to participate in the Capitan 22301 27-22 Sta	te Com #20H Well
Macdonald	ald 1996 Revocable Trust, dated January 11, 1996	
By:		
T:41		
D 4		

~11,540' TVD ~21,795' MD

Total Depth:

### BTA OIL PRODUCERS WELL COST ESTIMATE & AUTHORITY FOR EXPENDITURE

Well Name: Location: Capitan 22301 27-22 State Come #20H (PSNC) SHL: 250 FSL & 1330 FWL Sec 27, 16S, 36E FTP: 100 FSL & 1980 FWL Sec 27, 16S, 36E LTP: 100 FNL & 1980 FWL Sec 22, 16S, 36E BHL: 50 FNL & 1980 FWL, Sec 22, 16S, 36E

Lea County, NM Formation: Penn Shale Date Prepared

	Date Prepared: 4/14/2023			r omation.	
	Date Frepared. WF-W2020		Prepared By:		
		NE DRY	NE	TW COMPLETION	TOTAL COSTS
	INTANGIBLE COSTS	-	CASED HOLE	•	•
CODE	FORMATION EVALUATION	\$	\$	\$	\$
2203 2204	Logs Cores	8,000		20,000	28,000
2205	DST				
2211	LOCATION & ACCESS Survey & Stake	5,000			5,000
2212	Damages	50,000			50,000
2213	Road & Location	85,000		100,000	185,000
2214	Other Location DRILLING RIG	130,000			130,000
2223	Mobilization	205,000			205,000
2225 2226	Daywork Footage	971,500	134,000		1,105,500
2227	Turnkey				
	DRILLING SUPPLIES				
2232 2233	Bits BHA	115,000 55,000		65,000	115,000 120,000
2234	Fuel	282,750	39,000	,	321,750
2236	Other Supplies MUD RELATED				
2241	Mud Purchase	135,000	5,000		140,000
2242	Mud Rental	EE 000	4.000	700 000	776 000
2244 2245	Fresh Water Brine	55,000 45,000	1,000	720,000	776,000 45,000
2246	Solids Control (Closed Loop)	43,500	6,000		49,500
2247 2249	Mud Monitor Mud Related Other	28,000 8,000			28,000 8,000
	DRILLING SERVICES				
2252	BOP Related	15,000 38,000	4,000		19,000 133,000
2253 2254	Casing Related Welding	8,000	95,000 2,000	15,000	25,000
2255	Trucking	22,500	10,000	70,000	102,500
2256 2257	Rental Equipment Other Services (Direction/GR Services)	82,000 391,500	8,000	400,000	490,000 391,500
2201	CEMENT	331,300			031,000
2261	Casing Cementing	115,000	185,000	450.000	300,000
2262	Other Cementing CONTRACT SERVICES			150,000	150,000
2266	Engineering	8,000			8,000
2267 2268	Geological Roustabout	22,000 6,000		80,000	22,000 86.000
2269	Wellsite Supervision	107,300	14,800	70,000	192,100
2270	Other Contract Services COMPLETION SERVICES	25,000			25,000
2272	Pulling Unit			20,000	20,000
2273	Drilling Rig				
2276 2277	Perforate Stimu <b>l</b> ation			364,000 3,840,000	364,000 3,840,000
2278	Other Compl. Services			220,000	220,000
2280	OVERHEAD Drilling & Administrative	10,000		10,000	20,000
2200	TOTAL INTANGIBLE COSTS	\$ 3,072,050	\$ 503,800	\$ 6,144,000	\$ 9,719,850
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CODE	TANGIBLE COSTS TUBULARS				
2311	Surface Casing (13 3/8" @ 2125')	201,000			201,000
2312	Intermediate Casing (9 5/8" @ 4,650")	390,000			390,000
2313 2314	Drlg Liner & Hanger (7-5/8" 4600' - 11100') Production Casing (5-1/2" x 5" @ TD)	440,000	915,000		440,000 915,000
2315	Production Liner & Hanger (10,000 - TD)		,		,
2316	Other Tubulars WELL EQUIPMENT				
2321	Well Head	25,000	27,000	85,000	137,000
2322 2325	Flowline Tubing			225,000 135,000	225,000 135,000
2326	Rods			155,000	130,000
2327	Pumps				
2328 2329	Pumping Unit Subsurface Equipment			35,000	35,000
2331	Other Well Equipment	115,000	25,000	3,000	143,000
2361	LEASE EQUIPMENT Tanks			173,000	173,000
2362	Separators			113,000	113,000
2363	Heater Treater			-	5 000
2364 2365	Pumps Electrical System			5,000 75,000	5,000 75,000
2366	Meters			35,000	35,000
2367 2368	Connectors Lact Equipment			250,000 65,000	250,000 65,000
2369	Other Lease Equipment			100,000	100,000
		1 171 000	967,000		
	SUBTOTAL - TANGIBLES	1,171,000	907,000	1,299,000	3,437,000
00	SYSTEMS				
2353 2353	Gas Line Tangibles Gas Line Intangibles				
2381	Compresssor				
2382 2382	Gas Plant Tangibles Gas Plant Intangibles				
2382	Dehydrator				
	SUBTOTAL - SYSTEMS				
	SUBTUTAL - SYSTEMS				
	TOTAL TANGIBLE COSTS	\$ 1,171,000	\$ 967,000	\$ 1,299,000	\$ 3,437,000
	GENERAL CONTINGENCIES	254,583	88,248	446.580	789,411
	TOTALS BY PHASE	\$ 4,497,633	\$ 1,559,048	\$ 7,889,580	\$ 13,946,261
	CUMULATIVE WELL COSTS	\$ 4,497,633	\$ 6,056,681	\$ 13,946,261	
	Initial Routing Date: NE RTW BMM SB, CR, LJH, RMD, SEB, BBJ				
	NE RTW BMM SB, CR, LJH, RMD, SEB, BBJ				
	Land Approval Block:				
	APPROVED BY:				
	<u>-</u>				
	COMPANY:				
	DATE:				

#### CHRONOLOGY OF CONTACT

Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H

## Alexander Macdonald II and Augusta G. Macdonald or their successors, Trustees of the Macdonald 1996 Revocable Trust, dated January 11, 1996

- 08/18/2022 Mailed lease offer via Certified USPS (7021 2720 0000 4598 9387). Signed for on 08/25/2022 by L. Brown as agent. No response.
- 08/31/2022 Mailed revised lease offer via Certified USPS (7021 2720 0000 4599 0079). Packet was signed for on 09/07/2022 by L. Brown as agent. No response.
- 04/20/2023 Mailed well proposal via Certified USPS (9214 8969 0099 9790 1824 1570 69). Packet was signed for on 4/25/2023. No response.
- 07/12/2023 Called phone number listed for the Trustees' son, Alexander G. MacDonald, III. The phone rang and never went to voicemail.

### **Greyhound Resources, LLC**

- 04/20/2023 Sent via Certified USPS Mail (Tracking No. 9214 8969 0099 9790 1824 1570 45) the well proposal/lease offer to Greyhound Resources, LLC. Packet was signed for on 4/24/2023. No response received by BTA.
- 05/02/2023 Spoke with Clay Wooten at Greyhound about the well proposals.
- 05/03/2023 Emailed Mr. Wooten BTA's proposed JOA.
- 05/22/2023 Mr. Wooten requested we set up a technical call to discuss BTA's development plan.
- 05/23/2023 Offered to have a technical call on 05/31/2023.
- 05/31/2023 BTA's technical team met with Greyhound's technical team to answer questions they had pertaining to BTA's Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H development plans.
- 07/05/2023 Followed up with Mr. Wooten via email to see if Greyhound had a chance to make an election on BTA's well proposal.
- 07/10/2023 Mr. Wooten replied to the 07/05/2023 follow-up email to say that he would follow up with his technical team to see where they are with their evaluation.

BTA Oil Producers, LLC Case No. 23665 Exhibit A-5 Followed up with Mr. Wooten via email to see if Greyhound had a chance to make an election on BTA's well proposal and restated a term assignment offer BTA made Greyhound for their acreage within BTA's proposed Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H unit.
Followed up with Mr. Wooten via email to see if Greyhound had a chance to make an election on BTA's well proposal and/or review BTA's term assignment offer.
Followed up with Mr. Wooten via email to see if Greyhound had a chance to make an election on BTA's well proposal and/or review BTA's term assignment offer.
Received an email from Mr. Wooten indicating that the team is still evaluating and that he would try to get BTA an answer soon.

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## SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF DAVID CHILDERS

- 1. I am a geologist at BTA Oil Producers, LLC ("BTA") and am over 18 years of age. I have personal knowledge of the matters addressed herein and am competent to provide this Self-Affirmed Statement. I have previously testified before the Division and my credentials as an expert in geology were accepted as a matter of record.
  - 2. I am familiar with the geological matters that pertain to the above-referenced case.
- 3. Exhibit B-1 is a project location map that shows the location of the proposed Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H well.
- 4. BTA is targeting the Pennsylvanian Shale Formation. Exhibit B-2 is a subsea structure map that I prepared for this interval with 100-foot contours. The proposed horizontal well spacing unit is highlighted in red and the initial well is depicted with a black dashed line. The structure map shows the Pennsylvanian Shale Formation. The structure appears consistent across the proposed spacing unit and I do not observe any faulting, pinch outs, or other geologic impediments to drilling horizontal wells in this area.
- 5. Exhibit B-2 also shows a cross-section line in blue running North to South reflecting three wells penetrating the Pennsylvanian Shale Formation that I used to construct a stratigraphic cross-section from A to A'. These wells contain good logs and I consider them representative of the geology in the subject area.

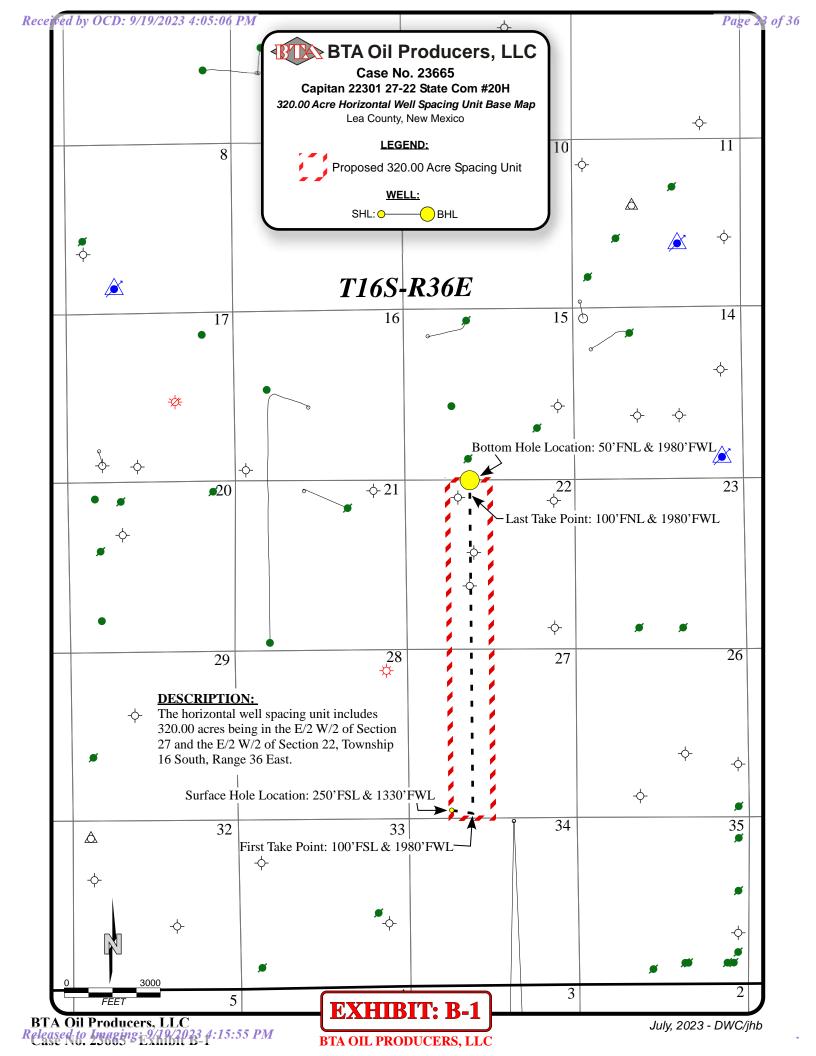
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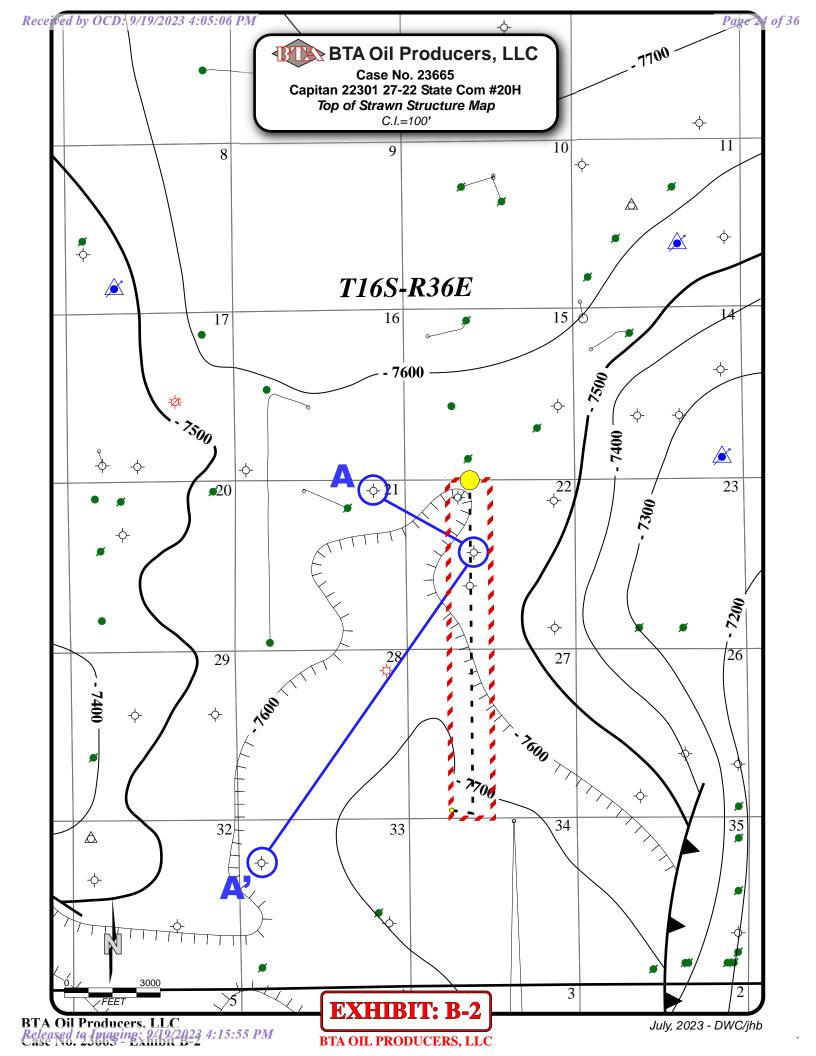
- 6. Exhibit B-3 is a stratigraphic cross-section that I prepared using the logs from the three wells noted on Exhibit B-2. Each well in the cross-section contains the gamma ray in the first track and resistivity in the second track. The initial target interval is labeled and marked. The cross-section demonstrates that the targeted interval is continuous across the proposed spacing unit.
- 7. Exhibit B-4 is a Gross Isopach map of the Pennsylvanian Shale Formation interval. The proposed horizontal well spacing unit is highlighted in red and the initial well is depicted with a black dashed line. The anticipated gross thickness of the Pennsylvanian Shale Formation interval is 400 to 450 ft. The gross isopach map demonstrates that the Pennsylvanian Shale Formation interval is present across the proposed spacing unit. The location of the previous cross-section from A-A' in Exhibit B-3 is also shown as a blue line on this map.
- 8. In my opinion, a stand-up orientation for the well is appropriate to properly develop the subject acreage because of an established directional pattern.
- 9. Based on my geologic study, the Pennsylvanian Shale Formation underlying the subject area is suitable for development by horizontal wells and the acreage comprising the proposed spacing unit will be productive and contribute proportionately to the production from the well.
- 10. In my opinion, the granting of BTA's application will serve the interests of conservation, the protection of correlative rights, and the prevention of waste.
- 11. The exhibits attached hereto were either prepared by me or under my supervision or were compiled from company business records.
- 12. I understand this Self-Affirmed Statement will be used as written testimony in this case. I affirm my testimony above is true and correct and is made under penalty of perjury under

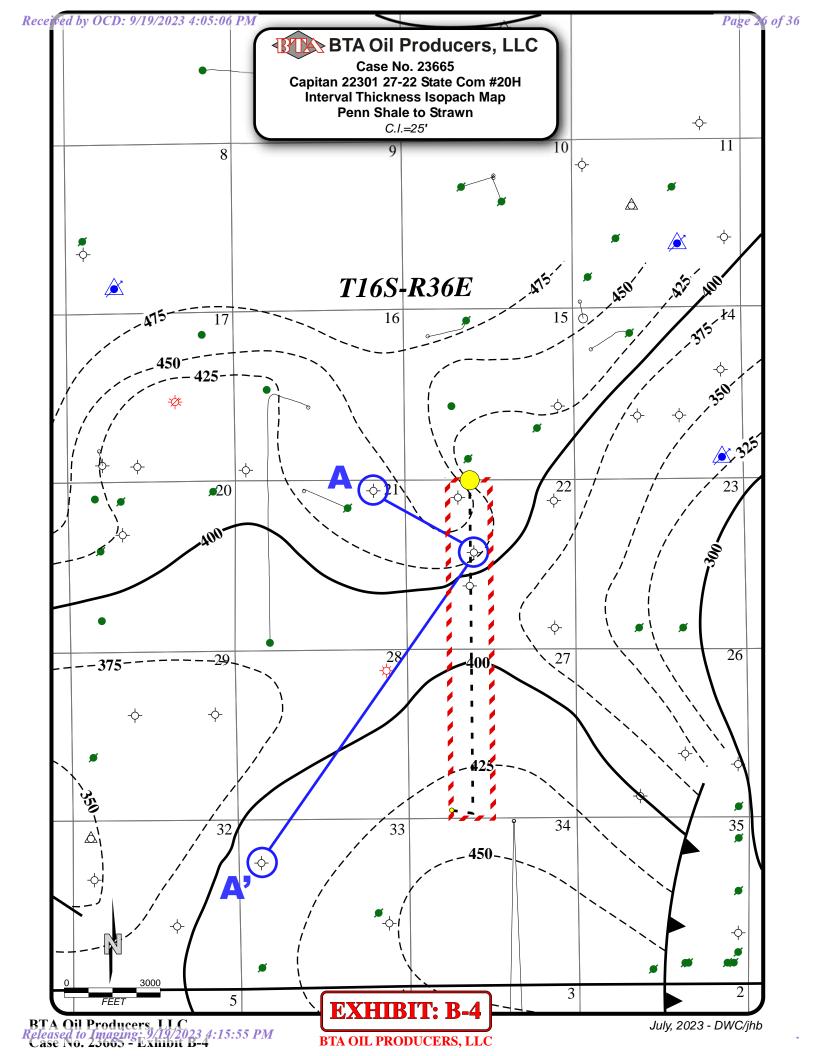
the laws of the State of New Mexico. My testimony is made as of the date identified next to my signature below.

David Childers

Date







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SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF DANA S. HARDY

1. I am attorney in fact and authorized representative of BTA Oil Producers, LLC, the

Applicant herein.

2. I am familiar with the Notice Letter attached as **Exhibit C-1** and caused the Notice

Letter, along with the Application in this case, to be sent to the parties set out in the chart attached

as Exhibit C-2.

3. Exhibit C-2 also provides the date each Notice Letter was sent and the date each

return was received.

4. Copies of the certified mail green cards and white slips are attached as **Exhibit C-**

3 as supporting documentation for proof of mailing and the information provided on Exhibit C-2.

5. On July 14, 2023, I caused a notice to be published to all interested parties in the

Hobbs News-Sun. An Affidavit of Publication from the Legal Clerk of the Hobbs News-Sun, along

with a copy of the notice publication, is attached as **Exhibit C-4**.

6. I understand this Self-Affirmed Statement will be used as written testimony in the

subject cases. I affirm that my testimony above is true and correct and it made under penalty of

perjury under the laws of the State of New Mexico. My testimony is made as of the date

handwritten next to my signature below.

/s/ Dana S. Hardy

Dana S. Hardy

September 18, 2023

Date

BTA Oil Producers, LLC Case No. 23665 Exhibit C



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### ATTORNEYS AT LAW

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WRITER: Dana S. Hardy, Partner dhardy@hinklelawfirm.com

July 10, 2023

### <u>VIA CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

#### TO ALL PARTIES ENTITLED TO NOTICE

Re: Case No. 23665 – Application of BTA Oil Producers, LLC for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.

To whom it may concern:

This letter is to advise you that the enclosed application was filed with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. The hearing will be conducted on **August 3**, **2023** beginning at 8:15 a.m.

Hearings are currently conducted remotely. To participate in the electronic hearing, see the instructions posted on the OCD Hearings website: <a href="https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/hearing-info/">https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/hearing-info/</a>. You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging the matter at a later date.

Pursuant to Division Rule 19.15.4.13.B, a party who intends to present evidence at the hearing shall file a pre-hearing statement and serve copies on other parties, or the attorneys of parties who are represented by counsel, at least four business days in advance of a scheduled hearing, but in no event later than 5:00 p.m. Mountain Time, on the Thursday preceding the scheduled hearing date. The statement must be submitted through the OCD E-Permitting system (<a href="https://www.apps.emnrd.nm.gov/OCD/OCDPermitting">https://www.apps.emnrd.nm.gov/OCD/OCDPermitting</a>) or via e-mail to ocd.hearings@emnrd.nm.gov and should include: the names of the parties and their attorneys, a concise statement of the case, the names of all witnesses the party will call to testify at the hearing, the approximate time the party will need to present its case, and identification of any procedural matters that are to be resolved prior to the hearing.

Please contact Adams Davenport, at BTA Oil Producers, LLC, by phone at 432-682-3753 if you have questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,	
/s/ Dana S. Hardy	
Dana S. Hardy	

Enclosure

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#### **NOTICE LETTER CHART**

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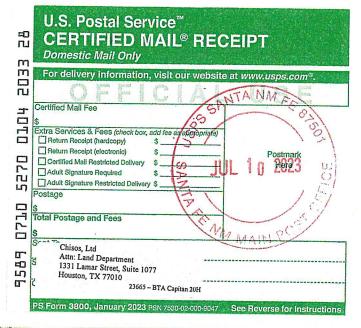
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### **Affidavit of Publication**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LEA

I, Daniel Russell, Publisher of the Hobbs News-Sun, a newspaper published at Hobbs, New Mexico, solemnly swear that the clipping attached hereto was published in the regular and entire issue of said newspaper, and not a supplement thereof for a period of 1 issue(s).

> Beginning with the issue dated July 14, 2023 and ending with the issue dated July 14, 2023.

Publisher

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 14th day of July 2023.

Business Manager

My commission expires

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LEGAL NOTICE July 14, 2023

This is to notify all interested parties, including Slash Exploration; Greyhound Resources, LLC; Broughton Petroleum Inc.; Black Shale Minerals, LLC; Alexander Macdonald II and Augusta G. Macdonald or their successors, Trustees of the Macdonald 1996 Revocable Trust, dated January 11, 1996; Chisos, Ltd; and their successors and assigns, that the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division will conduct a hearing on an application submitted by BTA Oil Producers, LLC (Case No. 23665). The hearing will be conducted remotely on August 3, 2023, beginning at 8:15 a.m. To participate in the electronic hearing, see the instructions posted on the OCD Hearings website for that date https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/hearing-info/ Applicant applies for an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Pennsylvanian Shale uncommitted interests in the Pennsylvanian Shale formation underlying a 320-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 W/2 of Sections 22 and 27, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"). The Unit will be dedicated to the Capitan 22301 27-22 State Com #20H well ("Well"), to be drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of Section 27, to a bottom hole location in the NE/4 NW/4 (Unit C) of Section 22. 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 cost, the designation of Applicant as operator of the Well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the Well. The Well is located approximately 3 miles south of Lovington, New Mexico. south of Lovington, New Mexico.

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