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

APPLICATION OF LEGACY RESERVES OPERATING LP TO AMEND ORDER NO. R-22392, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NOS. 23804

(Formerly Case 22230)

APPLICATION OF LEGACY RESERVES OPERATING LP TO AMEND ORDER NO. R-22394, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NOS. 23809

(Formerly Case 22231)

<u>LEGACY RESERVES OPERATING LP'S CONSOLIDATED PRE-HEARING STATEMENT</u>

Legacy Reserves Operating LP ("Legacy") submits this Pre-Hearing Statement pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES

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INTERESTED PARTIES ATTORNEYS

None

APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF CASE

Legacy seeks orders extending for an additional year the obligation to commence drilling under Division Orders R-22392 and R-22394 issued on November 17, 2022 in Case Nos. 22230 and 22231, respectively. These orders pooled all uncommitted interest owners in the Bone Spring

formation underlying standard 320-acre horizontal spacing units in Sections 15 and 22, Township 19 South, Range 33 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico, as follows:

- Order R-22392 pooled the W½E½ of Section 15 and W½E½ of Section 22and dedicated the 320-acre spacing unit to the proposed Ruby Fed Com 501H Well (API No. Pending); and
- Order R-22394 pooled the E½E½ of Section 15 and the E½E½ of Section 22and dedicated the 320-acre spacing unit to the proposed Ruby Fed Com 502H Well (API No. Pending).

Each order requires Applicant to commence drilling the wells "within one year after the date of this Order, and complete Well no later than one (1) year after the commencement of drilling the Well." The orders further provide that the order will terminate if the well is not timely commenced, unless the operator "obtains an extension by an amendment of this Order for good cause shown."

Applicant plans to drill the proposed wells but is revising its development plan based on proximate well data. Applicant seeks additional time to plan and permit additional wells to be batch drilled. An extension will enable Applicant to maximize productivity, prevent economic waste, and minimize surface and environmental impacts with more efficient planning. Therefore, Applicant requests that the Division amend the existing orders to extend the time to commence drilling the proposed wells to November 17, 2024.

APPLICANT'S PROPOSED EVIDENCE

The witnesses are as follows:

WITNESS ESTIMATED TIME EXHIBITS
Name and Expertise

Carl Messina, Landman Affidavit Approx. 5

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

The Division has consolidated for hearings Case Nos. 23804 and 23809. If uncontested at the hearing, Legacy intends to present this case by affidavit.

Dated this 27th day of September, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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QUESTIONS

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QUESTIONS

Testimony	
Please assist us by provide the following information about your testimony.	
Number of witnesses	1
Testimony time (in minutes)	Not answered.