

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

**APPLICATION OF MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY  
TO EXTEND THE DRILLING DEADLINE UNDER  
ORDER NO. R-22720, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
ORDER NO. R-22720**

**APPLICATION**

Matador Production Company (“Matador” or “Applicant”), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division to extend the drilling deadline under compulsory pooling Order No. R-22720 (“Order”). In support of its application, Matador states:

1. Division Order No. R-22720, entered on June 7, 2023, in Case No. 23491, created a standard 320-acre, more or less, horizontal spacing unit comprised of the N/2 S/2 of Sections 25 and 26, Township 21 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico (the “Unit”), and designated Matador as operator of the Unit.

2. Order No. R-22720 further pooled the uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation (Carlsbad; Bone Spring, East [96144]) in the Unit and dedicated the Unit to the proposed initial **Whitby 2526 Fed Com #123H well** (API No. 30-025-PENDING).

3. Applicant requests that Order No. R-22720 be re-opened and amended to allow Applicant additional time to commence drilling the well under the Order.

4. There is good cause for Applicant’s request for an extension of time to drill.

5. Under the Order, Applicant would be required to commence drilling the well by June 8, 2024, and therefore, asks for the deadline to commence drilling the well be extended for a year, to June 8, 2025.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on May 2, 2024, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order extending the time for Matador to commence drilling the proposed initial well under the Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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CASE \_\_\_\_\_:      **Application of Matador Production Company to Amend Order No. R-22720, Eddy County, New Mexico.** Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks a year extension of time for drilling the well under Order No. R-22720. The Unit is comprised of the N/2 S/2 of Sections 25 and 26, Township 21 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. Order No. R-22720 pooled the uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation and dedicated the Unit to the proposed initial **Whitby 2526 Fed Com #123H well** to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 SE/4 (Unit I) of Section 25, to a bottom hole location in the NW/4 SW/4 (Unit L) of Section 26. Said area is located 5 miles northeast of Carlsbad, New Mexico.