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

APPLICATION OF E.G.L. RESOURCES, INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## **APPLICATION**

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-17, E.G.L. Resources, Inc. ("Applicant" or "E.G.L.") files this application with the Oil Conservation Division ("Division") seeking an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a 640-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2 of Sections 10 and 15, Township 18 South, Range 33 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"). In support of this application, E.G.L. states the following.

- 1. Applicant (OGRID No. 192373) is a working interest owner in the Unit and has the right to drill wells thereon.
  - 2. Applicant seeks to dedicate the Unit to the following proposed wells ("Wells"):
    - a. The **Smithers 10-15 Fed Com 101H Well**, to be drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of Section 15 to a bottom hole location in the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) of Section 10; and
    - b. The **Smithers 10-15 Fed Com 102H, 103H, 201H, and 203H Wells**, to be drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of Section 15 to a bottom hole location in the NE/4 NW/4 (Unit C) of Section 10.
  - 3. The completed intervals of the Wells will be orthodox.

- 4. The completed interval of the **Smithers 10-15 Fed Com 102H Well** will be located within 330' of the quarter-quarter section line separating the W/2 W/2 and E/2 W/2 of Sections 10 and 15 to allow for the creation of a 640-acre standard horizontal spacing unit.
- 5. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the development of these lands from all interest owners in the Unit.
- 6. The pooling of uncommitted interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.
- 7. In order to permit 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 the operator of the proposed horizontal wells and the Unit.

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:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted interests in the Unit;
- B. Approving the initial wells in the Unit;
- C. Designating Applicant as the operator of the Unit and the horizontal wells to be drilled thereon;
- D. Authorizing Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equipping, and completing the wells;
- E. Approving the actual operating charges and costs of supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures; and

F. Imposing a 200% charge for the risk assumed by Applicant in drilling and completing the wells against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of the wells.

Respectfully submitted,

HINKLE SHANOR LLP

/s/ Dana S. Hardy

Dana S. Hardy Jaclyn M. McLean P.O. Box 2068

Santa Fe, NM 87504-2068 Phone: (505) 982-4554

Facsimile: (505) 98208623 dhardy@hinklelawfirm.com jmclean@hinklelawfirm.com Counsel for E.G.L. Resources, Inc.