APPLICATION OF MARLIN OPERATING, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

**CASE NO. 24516** 

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COMPULSORY POOLING APPLICATION CHECKLIST				
ALL INFORMATION IN THE APPLICATION MUST	BE SUPPORTED BY SIGNED AFFIDAVITS			
Case: 24516	APPLICANT'S RESPONSE			
Date: June 27, 2024	7.17 = 0.111.1 0.110.1 0.110.1			
Applicant	Marlin Operating, LLC			
Designated Operator & OGRID (affiliation if applicable)	Marlin Operating, LLC (OGRID No. 331054)			
Applicant's Counsel:	Hinkle Shanor LLP			
Case Title:	Application of Marlin Operating, LLC for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New			
	Mexico.			
Entries of Appearance/Intervenors:	MRC Permian Company			
Well Family	Pegasus			
Formation/Pool				
Formation Name(s) or Vertical Extent:	Bone Spring			
Primary Product (Oil or Gas):	Oil			
Pooling this vertical extent:	Third Bone Spring Interval			
Pool Name and Pool Code:	WC-025 G-08 S233528D; Lower Bone Spring Pool (Code 97958)			
Well Location Setback Rules:	Statewide			
Spacing Unit				
Type (Horizontal/Vertical)	Horizontal			
Size (Acres)	320 acres			
Building Blocks:	quarter-quarter			
Orientation:	North to South			
Description: TRS/County	E/2 E/2 of Sections 16 and 21, Township 23 South, Range 35 East, Lea County,			
	New Mexico.			
Standard Horizontal Well Spacing Unit (Y/N), If No, describe and is approval of non-standard unit requested in this	Yes.			
application?				
Other Situations	Ver There is a death assessment the Dana Continue formation Applicant and			
Depth Severance: Y/N. If yes, description	Yes. There is a depth severance in the Bone Spring formation. Applicant seeks to pool uncommitted interests in the Third Bone Spring interval at a stratigraphic equivalent of approximately 11,218' to 11,383' TVD as shown on the Sand Well Com #1 well log (API #30-025-25661).			
Dravimity Tracts, If you description	No.			
Proximity Tracts: If yes, description				
Proximity Defining Well: if yes, description	N/A			
Applicant's Ownership in Each Tract	Exhibit A-4			
Well(s) Name & API (if assigned), surface and bottom hole location, footages, completion target, orientation, completion status (standard or non-standard)	Add wells as needed			
Well #1	Pegasus 16 State Com #354H (API # pending)			
	SHL: 500' FSL & 900' FEL (Unit P), Section 9, T23S-R35E			
	BHL: 2' FSL & 350' FEL (Unit P), Section 21, T23S-R35E			
	Completion Target: Third Bone Spring (Approx. 11,412' TVD)			
AFE Capex and Operating Costs				
Drilling Supervision/Month \$	\$10,000			
Production Supervision/Month \$	\$1,000			
Justification for Supervision Costs	Exhibit A-5			
Requested Risk Charge	200%			
Notice of Hearing	20070			
Proposed Notice of Hearing	Evhibit A 2			
	Exhibit A-2			
Proof of Mailed Notice of Hearing (20 days before hearing)	Exhibits C-1, C-2, 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-4			
Tract List (including lease numbers and owners)	Exhibit A-4			
If approval of Non-Standard Spacing Unit is requested, Tract List (including lease numbers and owners) of Tracts subject to				
notice requirements.	N/A			
Pooled Parties (including ownership type)	Exhibit A-4			
Unlocatable Parties to be Pooled	N/A			
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Ownership Depth Severance (including percentage above &	
below)	Exhibit A-4
Joinder	
Sample Copy of Proposal Letter	Exhibit A-5
List of Interest Owners (ie Exhibit A of JOA)	Exhibit A-4
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Cost Estimate to Drill and Complete	Exhibit A-5
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Geology	
Summary (including special considerations)	Exhibit B
Spacing Unit Schematic	Exhibit B-2
Gunbarrel/Lateral Trajectory Schematic	N/A
Well Orientation (with rationale)	Exhibit B
Target Formation	Exhibit B
HSU Cross Section	Exhibit B-4
Depth Severance Discussion	Exhibit A
Forms, Figures and Tables	
C-102	Exhibit A-3
Tracts	Exhibit A-4
Summary of Interests, Unit Recapitulation (Tracts)	Exhibit A-4
General Location Map (including basin)	Exhibit B-2
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Structure Contour Map - Subsea Depth	Exhibits B-3
Cross Section Location Map (including wells)	Exhibit B-4
Cross Section (including Landing Zone)	Exhibit B-4
Additional Information	
Special Provisions/Stipulations	N/A
CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the information prov	vided 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:	6/20/2024

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**CASE NO. 24516** 

### SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF VIDAL QUEVEDO

- 1. I am the Director of Land at Marlin Operating, LLC ("Marlin") 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 not previously testified before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division"). A copy of my resume, which sets out my education and experience in petroleum land matters, is attached as **Exhibit A-1**.
- 2. I am familiar with the land matters involved in the above-referenced case. Copies of Marlin's application and proposed hearing notice are attached as **Exhibit A-2**.
- 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. Marlin seeks an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Third Bone Spring interval of the Bone Spring formation underlying a 320-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Sections 16 and 21, Township 23 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit").
- 5. The Unit will be dedicated to the **Pegasus 16 State Com #354H** well ("Well"), which will be completed in the WC-025 G-08 S233528D; Lower Bone Spring Pool (Code 97958). The Well will be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 9 to a bottom hole location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 21.
  - 6. The completed interval of the Well will be orthodox.

Marlin Operating, LLC Case No. 24516 Exhibit A

- 7. There is a depth severance in the Bone Spring formation within the Unit. Accordingly, Marlin seeks to pool uncommitted interests in the Third Bone Spring interval of the Bone Spring formation at a stratigraphic equivalent of approximately 11,218' to 11,383' TVD as shown on the Sand Well Com #1 well log (API #30-025-25661).
  - 8. **Exhibit A-3** contains the C-102 for the Well.
- 9. **Exhibit A-4** contains a plat identifying ownership by tract in the Unit. This exhibit also includes any applicable lease numbers, a unit recapitulation, and the interests Marlin seeks to pool highlighted in yellow.
- 10. Marlin has conducted a diligent search of all county public records, including phone directories and computer databases, to locate the interest owners.
- 11. **Exhibit A-5** 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.
- 12. In my opinion, Marlin 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-6**.
- 13. Marlin requests overhead and administrative rates of \$10,000 per month while the Well is being drilled and \$1,000 per month while the Well is producing. These rates are fair and are comparable to the rates charged by Marlin and other operators in the vicinity.
- 14. The attached exhibits were either prepared by me or under my supervision or were compiled from company business records.

- 15. In my opinion, the granting of Marlin's application will serve the interests of conservation, the protection of correlative rights, and the prevention of waste.
- 16. 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.

Vidal Quevedo

6.19-2024 Date



### **Biography of Vidal Quevedo**

Mr. Quevedo is a Certified Professional Landman with the AAPL who graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics and from Texas Christian University with a Masters in Business Administration.

From 2005-2007, Mr. Quevedo worked as a field landman and Land Manager for Holland Acquisitions focused on title and leasing in the Fort Worth Basin.

From 2007 to 2013, he moved in-house with XTO Energy Inc. and handled negotiation of leasehold and creation of voluntary pooled units for horizontal development in a multi-rig programs in Texas, West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

In 2013, Mr. Quevedo continued these duties for XTO in North Dakota and Montana in addition to participating in regulatory and communitization proceedings with the NDIC, MBOGC and BLM through 2016.

In 2017, he was positioned as the senior landman in a business development team within XTO combined of engineering, geology and land focused on exploration and new development in the continental U.S. onshore, venturing into multiple basins throughout the U.S.

From 2018-2019, Mr. Quevedo held the role as one of XTO's Regional Land Managers in the Permian Basin including the overseeing of producing properties and exploration for lands within various areas of Texas and New Mexico.

Mr. Quevedo was Vice President – Land and Business Development for Lilis Energy, Inc., active in Winkler & Loving Counties, Texas and Lea County, New Mexico from 2019-2020.

Since 2020, Mr. Quevedo has been Managing Director for Hoss Resources LLC, including participating in new development as well as consulting with active operators in the Permian Basin.

As of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2023, Mr. Quevedo assumed his current role as Director of Land and Business Development for Marlin Operating, LLC handling all Land duties in their Lea County, New Mexico asset.

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APPLICATION OF MARLIN OPERATING, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**CASE NO. 24516** 

### **APPLICATION**

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, Marlin Operating, LLC (OGRID No. 331054) ("Applicant") applies for an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Third Bone Spring interval of the Bone Spring formation underlying a 320-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Sections 16 and 21, Township 23 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"). In support of its application, Applicant 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 proposed **Pegasus 16 State Com #354H** well ("Well"), which will be drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 9 to a bottom hole location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 21.
  - 3. The completed interval of the Well will be orthodox.
- 4. There is a depth severance in the Bone Spring formation within the Unit. Accordingly, Applicant seeks to pool uncommitted interests in the Third Bone Spring interval of the Bone Spring formation at a stratigraphic equivalent of approximately 11,218' to 11,383' TVD as shown on the Sand Well Com #1 well log (API #30-025-25661).
- 5. 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.

Marlin Operating, LLC Case No. 24516 Exhibit A-2

- 6. The pooling of uncommitted interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.
- 7. 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 the operator of the Well and the Unit.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on June 13, 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 Well in the Unit;
- C. Designating Applicant as the 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% charge 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

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Counsel for Marlin Operating, LLC

Application of Marlin Operating, LLC for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Third Bone Spring interval of the Bone Spring formation underlying a 320-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Sections 16 and 21, Township 23 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"). The Unit will be dedicated to the proposed Pegasus 16 State Com #354H well ("Well"), which will be drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 9 to a bottom hole location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 21. Due to a depth severance in the Bone Spring formation within the Unit, Applicant seeks to pool uncommitted interests in the Third Bone Spring interval of the Bone Spring formation at a stratigraphic equivalent of approximately 11,218' to 11,383' TVD. 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 the operator of the Well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the Well. The Well is located approximately 16 miles southwest of Eunice, New Mexico.

<u>District 1</u> 1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240 Phone: (575) 393-6161 Fax: (575) 393-0720

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 II 811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210

### Marlin Operating, LLC, Case No. 24516, Exhibit A-3

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, 201 Submit one copy to appropriate District Office

AMENDED REPOR

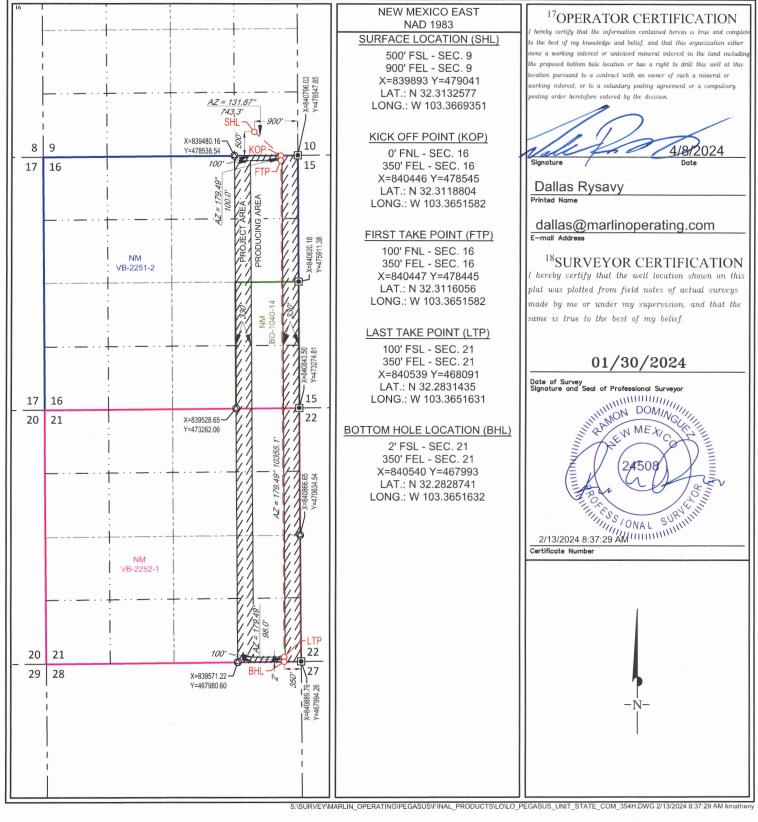
WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

٠.	THE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY AND THE					
<sup>1</sup> API Number		<sup>2</sup> Pool Code <sup>3</sup> Pool Name				
30-025-		97958	WC-025 G-08 S233528D; LWR BONE SPRING			
	<sup>4</sup> Property Code	<sup>5</sup> P		operty Name	<sup>6</sup> Well Number	
2	332942	PEGASUS U		JNIT STATE COM	354H	
5	<sup>7</sup> OGRID №.	80		perator Name	<sup>9</sup> Elevation	
	331054		MARLIN	OPERATING, LLC	3485'	

<sup>10</sup>Surface Location East/West lin Lot Id: Feet from the North/South lin Feet from th 500' P 900' 9 23-S 35-E SOUTH **EAST LEA** <sup>11</sup>Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface UL or lot no Section Township Rang Feet from the North/South li Feet from th East/West lin

2 P 21 23-S 35-E SOUTH 350' **EAST** LEA <sup>2</sup>Dedicated Acres Order No 320

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.



### Pegasus 16 State Com #354H Unit

Lea County, New Mexico



MARLIN HORIZONTAL

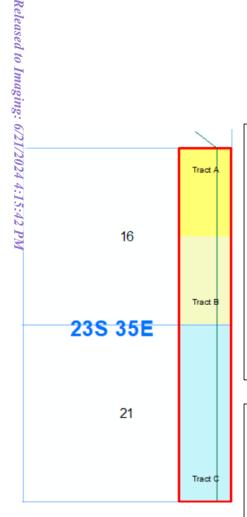
SPACING UNIT

Marlin Operating, LLC Case No. 24516 Exhibit A-4



### Pegasus 16 State Com #354H Unit

### Lea County, New Mexico



MARLIN HORIZONTAL

**SPACING UNIT** 

### **Est. Unit Working Interests:**

•	Marlin Operating LLC	0.050%
•	Nogal Resources LLC	50.047%
•	EOG Resources Inc.	20.307%
•	LeaCo New Mexico Exploration	12.500%
	& Production, LLC	
•	XTO Delaware Basin, LLC	7.785%
•	Chief Capital (O&G) II LLC	3.870%
•	MRC Permian Company	1.935%
•	Occidental Permian, Ltd.	1.573%
•	Spearpoint Resources MDU, LLC	1.451%
•	Marlin South Texas Minerals	0.484%
	Corporation	

#### **Parties Marlin is Seeking to Pool:**

- **EOG Resources Inc.**
- LeaCo New Mexico Exploration & Production, LLC
- XTO Delaware Basin, LLC
- Chief Capital (O&G) II LLC
- MRC Permian Company
- Occidental Permian, Ltd.
- Spearpoint Resources MDU, LLC
- Marlin South Texas Minerals Corporation
- Brigham Royalties Fund I Holdco, LLC
- **Nilo Operating Company**

#### Ownership by Tract:

Tract A: State Lease VB-2241: 80 acres, more or less, being E2NE4 of Section 16, Township 23 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

• Marlin Operating LLC: 0.0007250 Nogal Resources LLC: 0.7242750 Chief Capital (O&G) II LLC: 0.1375000 • MRC Permian Company: 0.0687500

• Spearpoint Resources MDU, LLC: 0.0515625

• Marlin South Texas Minerals Corporation: 0.0171875

Tract B: State Lease B-1040: 80 acres, more or less, being E2SE4 of Section 16, Township 23 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

• Marlin Operating LLC: 0.0000911 • Nogal Resources LLC: 0.0910414

• LeaCo New Mexico Exploration & Production, LLC: 0.5000000

• XTO Delaware Basin, LLC: 0.3114000 • Chief Capital (O&G) II LLC: 0.0172838 • MRC Permian Company: 0.0086419 Occidental Permian, Ltd.: 0.0629000

• Spearpoint Resources MDU, LLC: 0.0064814

Marlin South Texas Minerals Corporation: 0.0021605

Tract C: State Lease VB-2252: 160 acres, more or less, being E2E2 of Section 21, Township 23 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

 Marlin Operating LLC: 0.0005939 • Nogal Resources LLC: 0.5932761 • EOG Resources Inc.: 0.4061300





July 6, 2023

Chief Capital (O&G) II LLC Attn: Nate Coffee 8111 Westchester Dr., Suite 900 Dallas, Texas 75225

Re: Pegasus 16 State #354H Well Proposal E2E2, Sections 16 & 21, T23S-R35E Lea County, New Mexico AFE 233541

Dear Working Interest Owner:

Marlin Operating, LLC ("Marlin") hereby proposes to drill and complete the Pegasus 16 State #354H well, with a surface hole location in NE4 of Section 16, Township 23 South, Range 35 East and a bottom hole location in SE4 of Section 21, Township 23 South, Range 35 East, targeting the 3<sup>rd</sup> Bone Spring Formation at an estimated total vertical depth of 11,412', with an approximate horizonal lateral length of 10,000', further described in the enclosed plat. Spacing unit for the Pegasus 16 State #354H shall include the E2E2 of Section 16, Township 23 South, Range 35 East, and the E2E2 of Section 21, Township 23 South, Range 35 East, comprising approximately 320 acres. Anticipated spud date for this well is March 2024. Our records indicate Chief Capital (O&G) II LLC has a 3.86959% WI in the Pegasus 16 State #354H well. In addition, enclosed for your review is AFE #233541 detailing the estimated costs to drill and complete the Pegasus 16 State #354H well.

Marlin is proposing to drill this well under the terms of an AAPL Form 610-1989 Model Form Operating Agreement, with Marlin as the Operator, and will be supplied for your review. The proposed Operating Agreement contract area will include the E2E2 of Sections 16 & 21, Township 23 South, Range 35 East, less and except 100' above the top of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Bone Spring formation to 100' below the base of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Bone Spring formation.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns at (817) 912-1496 or via email at <a href="mailto:vidal@marlinoperating.com">vidal@marlinoperating.com</a>, and return your election to the undersigned at the address below.

Sincerely,

Vidal Quevedo
MARLIN OPERATING LLC

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Please indic	cate vour	election,	execute a	and date	in the s	pace r	orovided	below:

### CHIEF CAPITAL (O&G) II LLC

	_ Elect to partici	pate in the drill and comple	ete costs for AFE 233541 fo	or the Pegasus 16 State
#354H				
	_ Elect NOT to pa	articipate in the drill and co	omplete costs for AFE 2335	41 for the Pegasus 16 State
#354H				
_				
Ву:				
Evecute	nd this	day of	2023	

#### MARLIN OPERATING

#### ESTIMATE OF COSTS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE

DATE
WELL NAME
LOCATION
COUNTY STATE
OPERATOR WI
GEOLOGIC TARGET
COMMENTS

Pegasus 16 State #354H
Section 16, TN 23, RGE 35, State Lands Survey, Lea Co, New Mexico Lea, NM

AFE NO FIELD MD / TVD LATERAL LENGTH

233541 ANTELOPE RIDGE N

COUNTY STATE	Lea, NM		LATERAL LENGTH	10000		
OPERATOR WI GEOLOGIC TARGET	TBSPNG					
COMMENTS	Drill and complete a 10,000' horizo	ontal well with 50 stage frac				
INTANGIBLE COSTS	DRILLING	COMPLETION	PRODUCTION	FACILITIES	TOTAL	
INTANGIBLE COSTS						
Overhead	8500	8500		0	17,000.00	
Contractors / Testers	0	0		0	-	
Directional	380000	0			380,000.00	
Drilling Walding	475000	0		0	475,000.00	
Welding Drilling Mud / Transport	8000 300000	0		50000	58,000.00 300,000.00	
Insurance	10000				10,000.00	
Rental - Drill String / BHA	15000	30000		0	45,000.00	
Rental - Equipment / Surface	165000	120000		50000	335,000.00	
Rental - Living Quarters/Equipment/Materials	135000	95000			230,000.00	
Mobilization / Demobilization	285000 85000	<u>0</u> 8500		0	285,000.00 93,500.00	
Tubing Testing / Inspection Casing Crew	25000	0			25,000.00	
Perforating/Slickline/Wireline	0	185000	-		185,000.00	
Supervision	85500	150000		36000	271,500.00	
Power and Fuel	150000	325000		0	475,000.00	
Acidizing	0	85000		0	85,000.00	
Mud/Chemicals/Dyed Diesel Mud Circulating System	45000 95000	0		0	45,000.00 95,000.00	
Mud Logging	3000	0		0	3,000.00	
Water / Brine	35000	800000		15000	850,000.00	
Environmental/Waste	350000	50000		10000	410,000.00	
Plugging and Abandonment	0	0		0	<del>-</del>	
Location / Construction / Damages / ROW's	316000	50000		10000	376,000.00	
Land / Legal / Regulatory / Permits / Surveys Bits	47500 84000	<u>0</u> 25500		0	47,500.00 109,500.00	
Coring	0	0		0	109,500.00	
Fishing	0	0		0	=	
Surface Pipe Cementing	40000	0		0	40,000.00	
Intermediate Pipe Cementing	75000	0		0	75,000.00	
Production Pipe Cementing	160000	0	<u> </u>	0	160,000.00	
Liner Pipe Cementing Rathole / Mousehole / Conductor	38000	0		0	38,000.00	
Float Equipment / Centralizers	65000	0			65,000.00	
Whipstock / Sidetrack	0	0		0	-	
Completion Fluids	0	30000		0	30,000.00	
Coil Tubing Units	0	100000		0	100,000.00	
Fracturing / Stimulation	0	2350000		0	2,350,000.00	
Fracturing / Flowback / Support Logging/Formation Evaluation	0	150000 0		0	150,000.00	
Completion/Swab Rig	0	84000			84,000.00	
Crane	0	35000	<del></del>	15000	50,000.00	
Flowback - Surface Rentals	0	150000		0	150,000.00	
Flowback - Labor	0	50000		0	50,000.00	
MISC/Contingency TOTAL INTANGIBLES >	\$ 3,665,810.00	259015	<u>\$</u>	26600	470,925.00	
TOTAL INTANGIBLES >	\$ 3,665,810.00	\$ 5,140,515.00	<u> </u>	\$ 212,600.00	9,018,925.00	
TANGIBLE COSTS						
Surface Casing	90000	0		0	90,000.00	
Intermediate Casing Production Casing	235200 483000	0		0	235,200.00 483,000.00	
Casing Head Equipment	40000				40,000.00	
Wellhead	28000	50000	<del></del>		78,000.00	
Production Tubing	0	118800		0	118,800.00	
Packers	0	15000		0	15,000.00	
Dehydration Equipment	0	0		0		
Meter Run Saltwater Tanks	0	0		0008	8,000.00	
Production Tanks	0	0			-	
Separation Equipment	0	0		85000	85,000.00	
Tank Facility/Containment	0	0		15000	15,000.00	
Surface Pump	0	0		8000	8,000.00	
Subsurface Pump Compressor	0 0	<u>0</u> 15000		<u>0</u> 15000	30,000.00	
Pumping Unit	0	0		0		
Rod String	0	0		0		
Tubing Head	0	0		0	=	
Electrical Noncontrol	0	0		35000	35,000.00	
Scada Valves / Cauges, etc.	0	100000		15000	15,000.00	
Valves / Gauges, etc Artificial Lift Equipment	0	100000		<u>45000</u> 0	145,000.00	
Flow Line	0			120000	120,000.00	
TOTAL TANGIBLES >	\$ 876,200.00	\$ 298,800.00	\$ -	\$ 346,000.00	1,521,000.00	
TOTAL COSTS >	\$ 4,542,010.00	\$ 5,439,315.00	\$ -	\$ 558,600.00	10,539,925.00	
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Drilling Engineer:						
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Chief Executive Officer:	Dallas Rysavy					
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The costs on this AFE are estimates only and may not be construed as ceilings on any specific item or the total cost of the project. Tubing installation approved under the AFE may be delayed up to one year after the well has been completed. In executing this AFE, the Participant agrees to pay its proportionate share of actual costs incurred, including legal, curative, regulatory, brokerage, adn well costs under the tuerms of the applicable joint operating agreement, regulatory order or other agreement covering this well. Participants shall be covered by and billed proportionately for Operator's well control and general liability insurance, unless participant provided Operator a certificate evidencing its own insurance in an amount acceptable to the Operator by the date of Spud.



### Pegasus – Chronology of Communication

April 11, 2024 – Proposal to all parties sent.

April 12, 2024 – Correspondence with MRC Permian Company, which included discussion of Marlin development plans.

April 15, 2024 – Email correspondence with Chief Capital (O&G) II LLC addressing additional information request.

April 15, 2024 – Email correspondence with Spearpoint Resources MDU, LLC addressing additional information request.

April 15, 2024 - Email received from XTO Delaware Basin, LLC acknowledging receipt of proposals.

April 16, 2024 – Email correspondence with LeaCo New Mexico Exploration & Production, LLC ("Apache") addressing additional information request.

April 17, 2024 – Email correspondence with Spearpoint Resources MDU, LLC to discuss proposed JOA.

April 23, 2024 – Correspondence with MRC Permian Company regarding Marlin plans.

April 30, 2024 – Email correspondence with Spearpoint Resources MDU, LLC, noting that Spearpoint and MRC Permian Company will compare notes on JOA and addressing timing.

May 3, 2024 – Discussion with MRC Permian Company regarding Marlin plans.

May 8, 2024 – Receipt of response to elect to participate from Spearpoint Resources MDU, LLC.

May 21, 2024 – Correspondence with Chief Capital (O&G) II LLC to discuss proposed JOA.

May 21, 2024 – Meeting with EOG Resources Inc. which included discussion of Marlin development plans.

May 23, 2024 – Correspondence with Chief Capital (O&G) II LLC to discuss proposed JOA.

May 31, 2024 - Correspondence with Chief Capital (O&G) II LLC to discuss proposed JOA.

June 3, 2024 – Email correspondence with Apache to discuss proposed JOA.

June 5, 2024 – Email correspondence with Apache to discuss JOA.

June 6, 2024 – Correspondence with Chief Capital (O&G) II LLC to discuss JOA.

June 11, 2024 – Discussion with MRC Permian Company regarding their and Marlin development plans.

Marlin Operating, LLC Case No. 24516 Exhibit A-6 June 17, 2024 – Correspondence with XTO Delaware Basin, LLC regarding development information.

APPLICATION OF MARLIN OPERATING, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

**CASE NO. 24516** 

### SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF DALLAS RYSAVY

- 1. I am the Chief Executive Officer of Marlin Operating, LLC ("Marlin"). I am over 18 years of age, have personal knowledge of the matters addressed herein, and am competent to provide this Self-Affirmed Statement. I have not previously testified before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division"). A copy of my resume, which sets out my education and experience in petroleum geology, is attached as **Exhibit B-1**.
  - 2. I am familiar with the geological matters that pertain to the above-referenced case.
- 3. **Exhibit B-2** is a map that shows the location of the proposed horizontal well spacing unit.
- 4. Marlin is targeting the Lower Bone Spring formation. **Exhibit B-3** is a subsea structure map that I prepared for this interval with 20-foot contours. The proposed horizontal well spacing unit is highlighted in red and the initial well is depicted with a green dashed line. Existing producing wells in the Bone Spring formation are represented by solid orange lines. The structure map shows the Bone Spring formation dipping to the Southwest. 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-3** also shows a cross-section line in blue running North to South reflecting two wells penetrating the Bone Spring formation and bracketing our proposed drilling,

Marlin Operating, LLC Case No. 24516 Exhibit B that I used to construct a structural cross-section from A to A'. These wells contain good logs and I consider them representative of the geology in the subject area.

- 6. **Exhibit B-4** is a structural cross-section that I prepared using the logs from the two wells noted on Exhibit B-3. Each well in the cross-section contains the gamma ray in the first track, resistivity in the second track, porosity curves in the third track and sonic in the fourth track (where available). The initial target interval is labeled and marked. The cross-section demonstrates that the targeted interval is continuous across the proposed spacing unit.
- 7. In my opinion the stand-up orientation of the proposed well is the preferred orientation for horizontal well development in this area and is appropriate to efficiently and effectively develop the subject acreage.
- 8. Based on my geologic study, the Bone Spring 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.
- 9. In my opinion, the granting of Marlin's application will serve the interests of conservation, the protection of correlative rights, and the prevention of waste.
- 10. The exhibits attached hereto were either prepared by me or under my supervision or were compiled from company business records.
- 11. I understand this Self-Affirmed Statement will be used as written testimony in this case. I affirm my testimony in paragraphs 1 through 11 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.

Dallas Rysayy

6.19.2024 Date



### **Biography of Dallas Rysavy**

Mr. Rysavy graduated from the University of North Dakota with a bachelor's degree in Geology and immediately began his career by 'sitting rigs' in the Williston Basin as a Wellsite Geologist for Neset Consulting.

In 2004 Mr. Rysavy moved to Fort Worth Texas to take an office position with Encore Acquisition Company as a Senior Geologist where his responsibilities included Williston Basin, Permian and waterflood assets. Mr. Rysavy was part of a JV with Exxon Mobil in the Permian that had him overseeing development of some of their legacy assets (Parks/Pegasus/Brown Bassett fields).

Encore sold to Denbury and Mr. Rysavy became part of Denbury's Conroe team that oversaw implementing a Co2 flood in the Conroe sands. While working at Denbury, an offer to Join an Encore offshoot, Athlon Energy, presented itself and Mr. Rysavy moved back to developing the Midland Basin.

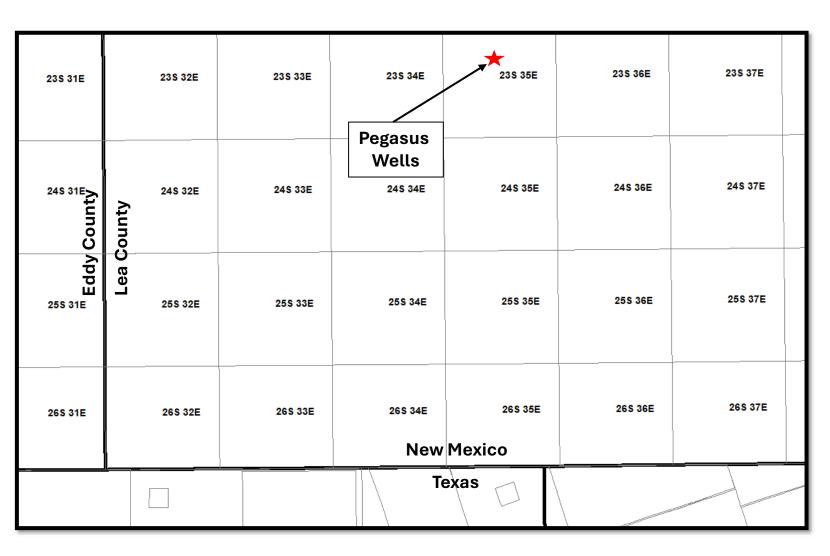
While at Athlon Energy, Mr. Rysavy was in charge of up to 8 drilling rigs targeting the Spraberry Trend Area as well as helping with acquisition evaluation and managing younger geologic staff. On November 13, 2014 Athlon Energy was acquired by Encana Corporation for \$7.1 billion. Mr. Rysavy was retained by Encana and promoted to Permian Geoscience Manager. This new role saw him in charge of a 14 rig drilling program and up to 10 direct reports. Mr. Rysavy left Encana in 2015 after they closed the Fort Worth Office.

In 2018 Mr. Rysavy joined Point Energy Partners as their Vice President of Geology where he helped get their development program up and running in the Delaware Basin. After 2 years at Point, Mr. Rysavy left to start Marlin Operating LLC where he currently holds the role of Chief Executive Officer.

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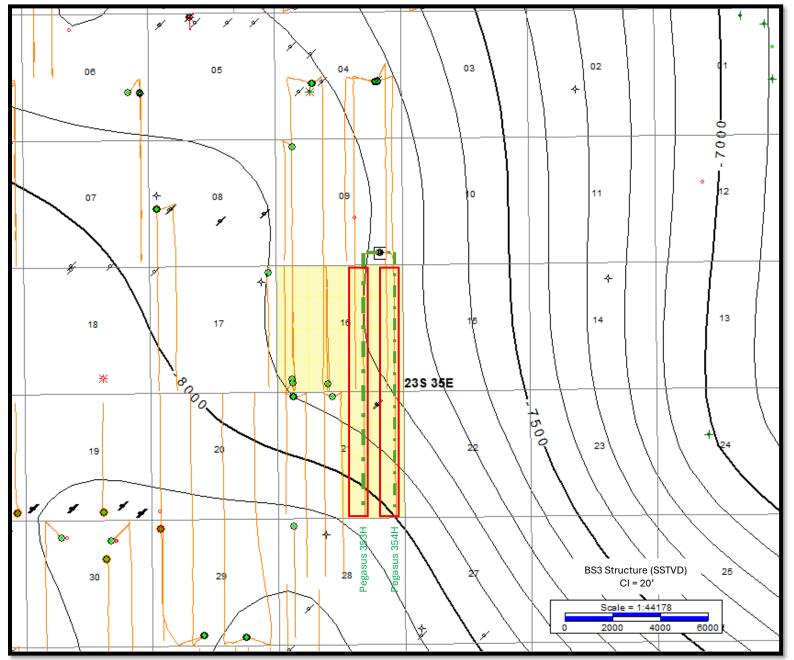


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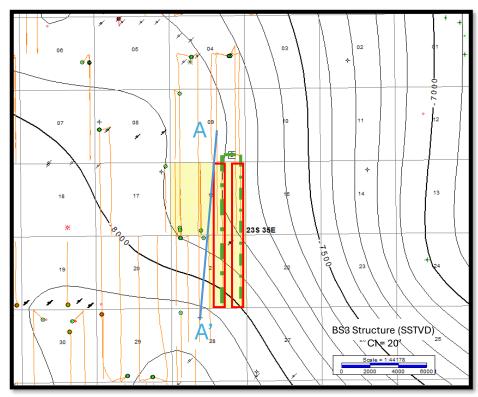
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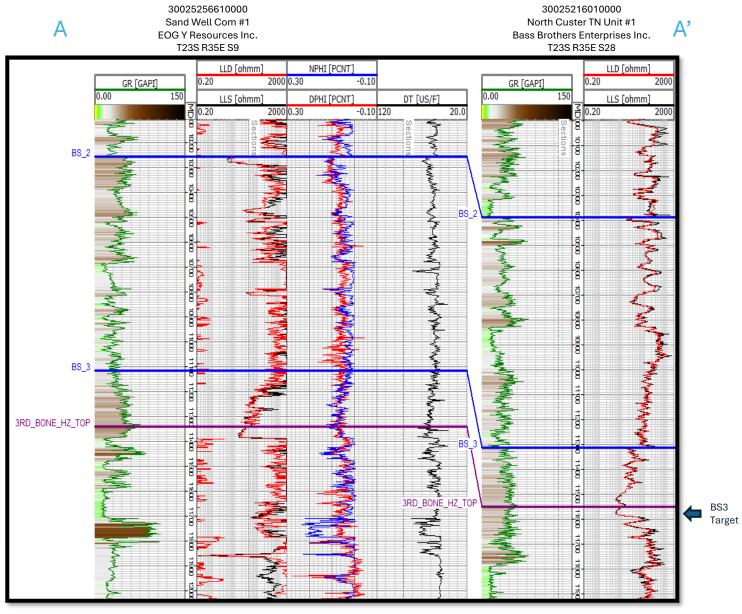
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### SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF DANA S. HARDY

- I am attorney in fact and authorized representative of Marlin Operating, 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 June 12, 2024, 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 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.

/s/ Dana S. Hardy
Dana S. Hardy

June 19, 2024

Date

Marlin Operating, LLC Case No. 24516 Exhibit C



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

June 7, 2024

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

#### TO ALL PARTIES ENTITLED TO NOTICE

Re: Case No. 24516 – Application of Marlin Operating, 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 **June 27**, **2024**, beginning at 8:15 a.m.

The hearing will be conducted in a hybrid fashion, both in-person at the Energy, Minerals, Natural Resources Department, Wendell Chino Building, Pecos Hall, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, 1st Floor, Santa Fe, NM 87505 and via the WebEx virtual meeting platform. To participate virtually, 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 Vidal Quevedo, at Marlin Operating, LLC, by phone at (512) 627-8133 or via email at vidal@marlinoperating.com if you have questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Dana S. Hardy Dana S. Hardy

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Enclosure

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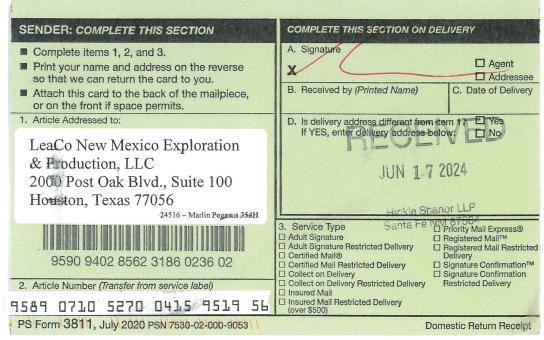
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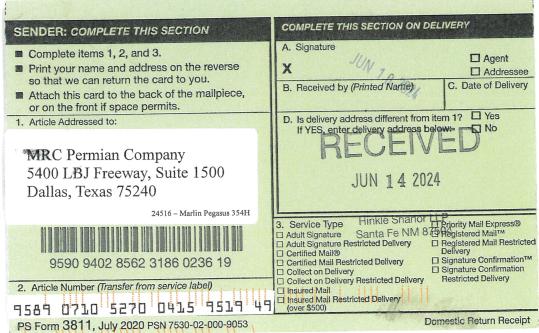
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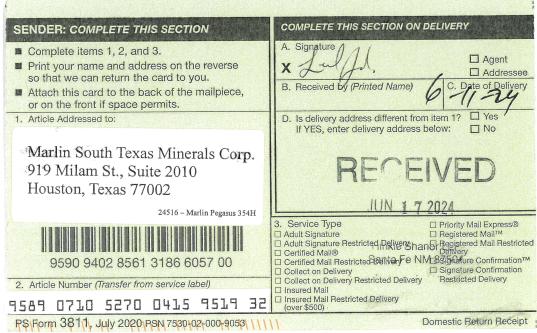




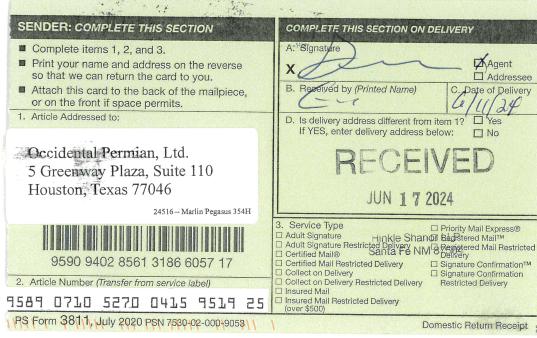








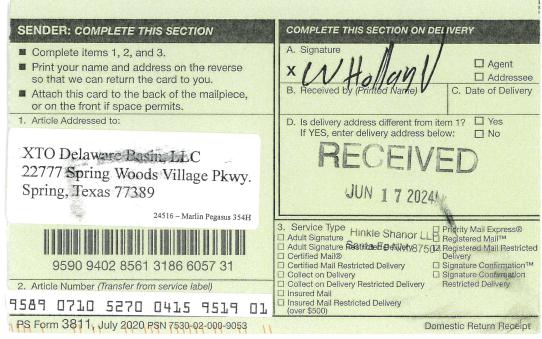














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I, Daniel Russell, Publisher of the Hobbs News-Sun, a newspaper published at Hobbs, New Mexico, solemnly swear that the clipping attached hereto was published in the regular and entire issue of said newspaper, and not a supplement thereof for a period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

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Business Manager

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This newspaper is duly qualified to publish legal notices or advertisements within the meaning of Section 3, Chapter 167, Laws of 1937 and payment of fees for said publication has been made.

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LEGAL NOTICE June 12, 2024

This is to notify all interested parties, including Chief Capital (O&G) II LLC; EOG Resources, Inc.; LeaCo New Mexico Exploration and Production, LLC; MRC Permian Company; Marlin South Texas Minerals Corporation; Occidental Permian, Ltd.; Spearpoint Resources MDU, LLC; XTO Delaware Basin, LLC; and their successors and assigns, that the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division will conduct a hearing on an application submitted by Marlin Operating, LLC (Case No. 24516). The hearing will be conducted on June 27, 2024, in a hybrid fashion, both in-person at the Energy, Minerals, Natural Resources Department, Wendell Chino Building, Pecos Hall, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, 1st Floor, Santa Fe, NM 87505 and via the WebEx virtual meeting platform. To participate virtually, see the instructions posted on the OCD Hearings website: https://www.emrrd.nm.gov/ocd/hearing-info/. Marlin Operating, LLC ("Applicant") seeks an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Third Bone Spring interval of the Bone Spring formation underlying a 320-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Sections 16 and 21, Township 23 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"). The Unit will be dedicated to the proposed Pegasus 16 State Com #354H well ("Well"), which will be drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 9 to a bottom hole location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 21. Due to a depth severance in the Bone Spring formation within the Unit, Applicant seeks to pool uncommitted interests in the Third Bone Spring interval of the Bone Spring formation at a stratigraphic equivalent of approximately 11,218' to 11,383' TVD. 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 the operator of the Well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the Well. The Well is located approximately 16 miles southwest of Eunice, New Mexico.

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