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

APPLICATION OF PERMIAN RESOURCES OPERATING, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING AND OVERLAPPING SPACING UNIT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## **APPLICATION**

Pursuant to NMSA § 70-2-17, Permian Resources Operating, LLC ("Applicant") (OGRID No. 372165) applies for an order: (1) establishing a 320-acre, more or less, standard, overlapping horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Sections 23 and 26, Township 22 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"); and (2) pooling all uncommitted interests in the Third Bone Spring interval of the Bone Spring formation underlying the 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 **Tour Bus 23-26 Federal Com 604H** well ("Well"), which will be drilled from a surface hole location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 23 to a bottom hole location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 26.
  - 3. The completed interval of the Well will be orthodox.
- 4. The Unit will partially overlap with the spacing unit for the Ring Neck 8817 26 Federal #005H (API No. 30-025-52615), which is located in the E/2 E/2 of Section 26, Township 22 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, and produces from the Ojo Chiso; Bone Spring pool (Code 96553).
- 5. Due to a depth severance in the Unit, Applicant seeks to pool uncommitted interests from the top of the Third Bone Spring interval at a stratigraphic equivalent of approximately

10,983' TVD to the base of the Third Bone Spring interval at a stratigraphic equivalent of approximately 11,336' TVD as shown on the Ojo Chiso Federal #3 (API # 30-025-30733) well log.

- 6. 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.
- 7. The pooling of uncommitted interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.
- 8. 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 October 10, 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. Approving the proposed overlapping spacing unit;
- D. Designating Permian Resources Operating, LLC as operator of the Unit and the
   Well to be drilled thereon;
- E. Authorizing Permian Resources Operating, LLC to recover its costs of drilling, equipping, and completing the Well;

- F. 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
- G. Imposing a 200% charge for the risk assumed by Permian Resources Operating, LLC in drilling and completing the Well against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of the Well.

Respectfully submitted,

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