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

APPLICATION OF CIVITAS PERMIAN OPERATING, LLC TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO COMMENCE DRILLING OPERATIONS UNDER ORDER NO. R-22603-A, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO.	

## APPLICATION

Civitas Permian Operating, LLC ("Civitas"), OGRID Number 332195, files this application with the Oil Conservation Division ("OCD") to extend the time to commence drilling operations under Order No. R-22603-A. In support of its application, Civitas states the following.

- 1. On March 30, 2023, the OCD issued Order No. R-22603 in Case No. 22933, which:
  - a. pooled all uncommitted interests within the Bone Spring formation underlying a 640-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit ("Unit") comprised of the E/2 of Sections 11 and 14, Township 20 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico;
  - b. dedicated the Unit to the Double Stamp Fed Com #113H, #123H, #126H, #133H, #153H, #114H, #116H, #124H, #128H, #134H, #136H, #154H and #174H wells ("Wells"); and
  - c. designated Civitas as operator of the Unit and Wells.
- 2. On January 31, 2024, the OCD issued Order No. R-22603-A (the "Order") in Case No. 24007 extending the deadline to commence drilling operations for the Wells until March 31, 2025. As identified in the application in Case No. 24007, the extension request was due to delays in obtaining federal permits for the Wells which are located within the potash area.
- 3. Good cause exists to extend the deadline to commence drilling operations for the Wells since the drilling permits on file with the Bureau of Land Management are still pending approval.

WHEREFORE, Civitas requests this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on January 9, 2025, and the Division enter an order to extend the

deadline to commence drilling operations for the Wells until March 31, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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