

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

**APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY  
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**APPLICATION**

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-17, Mewbourne Oil Company (OGRID No. 14744) (“Mewbourne” or “Applicant”) applies for an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a 960-acre, more or less, non-standard, horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2 of Sections 3 and 10, Township 26 South, Range 32 East, and the W/2 of Section 34, Township 25 South, Range 32 East, Lea County, New Mexico (“Unit”). In support of this application, Mewbourne 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 following wells (“Wells”):
  - a. **Red Hills West Unit Com 35H and Red Hills West Unit Com 41H** wells, which will be drilled from surface hole locations in the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 10, Township 26 South, to bottom hole locations in the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) of Section 34, Township 25 South; and
  - b. **Red Hills West Unit Com 36H, Red Hills West Unit Com 37H, and Red Hills West Unit Com 38H** wells, which will be drilled from surface hole locations in the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 10, Township 26 South, to bottom hole locations in the NE/4 NW/4 (Unit C) of Section 34, Township 25 South.
3. The completed intervals of the Wells will be orthodox.

4. Applicant is separately seeking administrative approval of the non-standard horizontal spacing unit.

5. Applicant has undertaken diligent, good-faith efforts to obtain voluntary agreements from all interest owners to participate in the drilling of the Wells but has been unable to obtain voluntary agreements from all interest owners.

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 as the operator of the Wells and Unit.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on October 9, 2025, 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 Wells in the Unit;
- C. Designating Applicant as operator of the Unit and the Wells to be drilled thereon;
- D. Authorizing Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the Wells;
- E. Approving the actual operating charged and costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, together with a provision adjusting the rated pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures; and

- F. Imposing a 200% penalty 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,

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