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

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

APPLICATION

Mewbourne Oil Company ("Mewbourne" or "Applicant") (OGRID No. 14744), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted mineral owners in a standard 320-acre, more or less, well spacing unit in the Bone Spring formation underlying the S/2 NE/4 and Lots 3 & 4 (S/2 N/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 28, and Lots 5, 6, 8, 17, and 18 (S/2 N/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 29, Township 21 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. In support of its application, Mewbourne states:

- 1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the proposed spacing unit and has the right to drill thereon.
- 2. Mewbourne seeks to dedicate the above-referenced spacing unit to the proposed **Buffalo Gap 29/28 Federal Com 523H** well, to be drilled from a surface hole location in Lot 5 (SW/4 NW/4 equivalent) of irregular Section 29, to a bottom hole location in the SE/4 NE/4 of irregular Section 28.
- 3. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the development of these lands from all mineral interest owners in the subject spacing unit.
- 4. The pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste, and will protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this matter be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on January 8, 2026, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted interest owners in the horizontal spacing unit;
- B. Designating Applicant as operator of this spacing unit and the horizontal well to be drilled thereon;
- C. Authorizing Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, completing, and equipping the well;
- D. 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
- E. 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,

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CASE :

Application of Mewbourne Oil Company for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order pooling all uncommitted mineral owners in a standard 320-acre, more or less, well spacing unit in the Bone Spring formation underlying the S/2 NE/4 and Lots 3 & 4 (S/2 N/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 28, and Lots 5, 6, 8, 17, and 18 (S/2 N/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 29, Township 21 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. Mewbourne seeks to dedicate the above-referenced spacing unit to the proposed Buffalo Gap 29/28 Federal Com 523H well, to be drilled from a surface hole location in Lot 5 (SW/4 NW/4 equivalent) of irregular Section 29, to a bottom hole location in the SE/4 NE/4 of irregular Section 28. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well, the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Applicant as operator, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling and completing the well. Said area is located approximately 6 miles northwest of Carlsbad, New Mexico.