

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

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

CASE NO. _____

APPLICATION

Pursuant to NMSA § 70-2-17, Mewbourne Oil Company, (OGRID No. 14744) (“Applicant”) applies for an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a 480-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the S/2 of Section 34 and the SW/4 of Section 35, Township 23 South, Range 26 East, Eddy County, New Mexico (“Unit”). In support of its 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. **Merlin 35/34 Fed Com #715H** well, which will be drilled from a surface hole location in the NE/4 SW/4 (Unit K) of Section 35 to a bottom hole location in the NW/4 SW/4 (Unit L) of Section 34; and
 - b. **Merlin 35/34 Fed Com #718H** well, which will be drilled from a surface hole location in the NE/4 SW/4 (Unit K) of Section 35 to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 34.
3. The completed intervals of the Wells will be orthodox.
4. 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.

5. The pooling of uncommitted interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.

6. 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 Wells and the Unit.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on August 6, 2026, 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 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% 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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