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

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING SUBMITTED BY FRANKLIN MOUNTAIN ENERGY, LLC

CASE NO. 22449 ORDER NO. R-21997

<u>ORDER</u>

The Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("OCD"), having heard this matter through a Hearing Examiner on January 6, 2022, and after considering the testimony, evidence, and recommendation of the Hearing Examiner, issues the following Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Franklin Mountain Energy, LLC ("Operator") submitted an application ("Application") to compulsory pool the uncommitted oil and gas interests within the spacing unit ("Unit") described in Exhibit A. The Unit is expected to be a standard horizontal spacing unit. 19.15.16.15(B) NMAC. Operator seeks to be designated the operator of the Unit.
- 2. Operator will dedicate the well(s) described in Exhibit A ("Well(s)") to the Unit.
- 3. Operator does not propose any supervision and risk charges for the Well(s) described in Exhibit A, because the uncommitted oil and gas interests the Operator is seeking to be pool by this Application do not include any working interests.
- 4. Operator identified the owners of uncommitted interests in oil and gas minerals in the Unit and provided evidence that notice was given.
- 5. The Application was heard by the Hearing Examiner on the date specified above, during which Operator presented evidence through affidavits in support of the Application. No other party presented evidence at the hearing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 6. OCD has jurisdiction to issue this Order pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-17.
- 7. Operator is the owner of an oil and gas working interest within the Unit.
- 8. Operator satisfied the notice requirements for the Application and the hearing as required by 19.15.4.12 NMAC.
- 9. OCD satisfied the notice requirements for the hearing as required by 19.15.4.9 NMAC.

- 10. Operator has the right to drill the Well(s) to a common source of supply at the depth(s) and location(s) in the Unit described in Exhibit A.
- 11. The Unit contains separately owned uncommitted interests in oil and gas minerals.
- 12. Some of the owners of the uncommitted interests have not agreed to commit their interests to the Unit.
- 13. The pooling of uncommitted interests in the Unit will prevent waste and protect correlative rights, including the drilling of unnecessary wells.
- 14. This Order affords to the owner of an uncommitted interest the opportunity to produce his just and equitable share of the oil or gas in the pool.

ORDER

- 15. The uncommitted interests in the Unit are pooled as set forth in Exhibit A.
- 16. The Unit shall be dedicated to the Well(s) set forth in Exhibit A.
- 17. Operator is designated as operator of the Unit and the Well(s).
- 18. If the location of a well will be unorthodox under the spacing rules in effect at the time of completion, Operator shall obtain the OCD's approval for a non-standard location in accordance with 19.15.16.15(C) NMAC.
- 19. The Operator shall commence drilling the Well(s) within one year after the date of this Order, and complete each Well no later than one (1) year after the commencement of drilling the Well.
- 20. This Order shall terminate automatically if Operator fails to comply with Paragraph 19 unless Operator obtains an extension by amending this Order for good cause shown.
- 21. The infill well requirements in 19.15.13.9 NMAC through 19.15.13.12 NMAC shall be applicable.
- 22. Because the interests to be pooled by this Order do not include any working interests, there is no necessity to provide in this Order for allocation of costs, risk charges, or overhead charges.
- 23. Except as provided above, Operator shall hold the revenue attributable to a well that is not disbursed for any reason for the account of the person(s) entitled to the revenue as provided in the Oil and Gas Proceeds Payment Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 70-10-1 *et seq.*, and relinquish such revenue as provided in the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 7-8A-1 *et seq.*

- 24. The Unit shall terminate if (a) the owners of all Uncommitted Interests reach a voluntary agreement; or (b) the well(s) drilled on the Unit are plugged and abandoned in accordance with the applicable rules. Operator shall inform OCD no later than thirty (30) days after such occurrence.
- 25. OCD retains jurisdiction of this matter for the entry of such orders as may be deemed necessary.



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Exhibit A

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COMPULSORY POOLING APPLICATION CHECKLIST

ALL INFORMATION IN THE APPLICATION MUST BE SUPPORTED BY SIGNED AFFIDAVITS

Case: 22449	APPLICANT'S RESPONSE
Date: Hearing Date-January 6, 2022	
Applicant	Franklin Mountain Energy, LLC
Designated Operator & OGRID (affiliation if applicable)	Franklin Mountain Energy, LLC (373910)
Applicant's Counsel:	Modrall Sperling (Deana Bennett, Earl DeBrine, Bryce Smith)
Case Title:	Application of Franklin Mountain Energy, LLC for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico
Entries of Appearance/Intervenors:	None
Well Family	Master
Formation/Pool	
Formation Name(s) or Vertical Extent:	Bone Spring
Primary Product (Oil or Gas):	Oil
Pooling this vertical extent:	Bone Spring
Pool Name and Pool Code:	WC-025 G-09 S253502D-LWR BONE SPRING 9818
Well Location Setback Rules:	Statewide rules
Spacing Unit Size:	320 acres
Spacing Unit	
Type (Horizontal/Vertical)	Horizontal
Size (Acres)	320 acres
Building Blocks:	40 acres
Orientation:	North-South
Description: TRS/County	W/2E/2 of Sections 14 and 23, Township 24 South Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico
Standard Horizontal Well Spacing Unit (Y/N), If No, describe	Y
Other Situations	
Depth Severance: Y/N. If yes, description	N
Proximity Tracts: If yes, description	N
Proximity Defining Well: if yes, description	N
Applicant's Ownership in Each Tract	Exhibit 4. EXHIBIT
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Name & API (if assigned), surface and bottom hole location,	Exhibit 3.
footages, completion target, orientation, completion status	
(standard or non-standard) Well #1	Master Fed Com 603H
vven #T	API: 30-025-48595 SHL:
	269 feet from the North line and 1387 feet from
	the East line, Section 14, Township 24 South,
	Range 35 East, NMPM.
	BHL: 150 feet from the South line and 1689 feet from the East line, Section 23, Township 24 South,
	Range 35 East, NMPM.
	Completion Target: Bone Spring.
	Well Orientation: North/South
	Completion location: Expected to be standard.
	See also Exhibit 3 for C-102.
Horizontal Well First and Last Take Points	Exhibit 3
Completion Target (Formation, TVD and MD)	Bone Spring; TVD 11,801'; MD 21,821'
AFE Capex and Operating Costs	
Drilling Supervision/Month \$	N/A
Production Supervision/Month \$	N/A
Justification for Supervision Costs	N/A
Requested Risk Charge	N/A
Notice of Hearing	
Proposed Notice of Hearing	Exhibits 2; 5
Proof of Mailed Notice of Hearing (20 days before hearing)	Exhibit 5
Proof of Published Notice of Hearing (10 days before hearing)	Exhibit 5
Ownership Determination	
Land Ownership Schematic of the Spacing Unit	Exhibit 4
Tract List (including lease numbers and owners)	Exhibit 4
Pooled Parties (including ownership type)	Exhibit 4
Unlocatable Parties to be Pooled	N/A
Ownership Depth Severance (including percentage above & bel	DVN/A
Joinder	
Sample Copy of Proposal Letter	Exhibit 6

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List of Interest Owners (ie Exhibit A of JOA)	N/A
Chronology of Contact with Non-Joined Working Interests	N/A (Exhibit 5)
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Overhead Rates In Proposal Letter	N/A
Cost Estimate to Drill and Complete	N/A (Exhibit 7)
Cost Estimate to Equip Well	N/A (Exhibit 7)
Cost Estimate for Production Facilities	N/A (Exhibit 7)
Geology	
Summary (including special considerations)	Tab C
Spacing Unit Schematic	Exhibit 10
Gunbarrel/Lateral Trajectory Schematic	Exhibit 10
Well Orientation (with rationale)	Exhibit 12
Target Formation	Exhibit 11C
HSU Cross Section	Exhibit 11C
Depth Severance Discussion	N/A
Forms, Figures and Tables	
C-102	Exhibit 3
Tracts	Exhibit 4
Summary of Interests, Unit Recapitulation (Tracts)	Exhibit 4
General Location Map (including basin)	Exhibit 9
Well Bore Location Map	Exhibit 9
Structure Contour Map - Subsea Depth	Exhibit 11A
Cross Section Location Map (including wells)	Exhibit 11B
Cross Section (including Landing Zone) Additional Information	Exhibit 11C
CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the information p	provided in this checklist is complete and accurate.
Printed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	Deana M. Bennett
Signed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	NIM X PYST
Date:	January 4, 2022

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