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

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATIONS TO AMEND ORDER R-21667 SUBMITTED BY MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY

CASE NO. 22684 CASE NO. 22849 CASE NO. 22922 ORDER NO. R-21667-A

## **ORDER**

The Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("OCD"), having heard this matter through a Hearing Examiner on July 7, 2022, July 21, 2022, and August 4, 2022, and after considering the testimony, evidence, and recommendation of the Hearing Examiner, issues the following Order.

# **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. On April 20. 2021, OCD issued Order R-21667 to Matador Production Company ("Operator") to pool the uncommitted oil and gas interests within the specified spacing unit ("Unit").
- 2. On March 8, 2022, Operator submitted an application under Case 22684 requesting an extension to drill the well(s) as required by Order R-21667.
- 3. On May 3, 2022, Operator submitted an application under Case 22849 requesting to change the Initial well from the Nina Cortell Federal Com 128H which targeted the Second Bone Springs, to the Nina Cortell Federal Com 134H which will target the Third Bone Spring formation as seen in the attached Exhibit A.
- 4. Subsequent to the issuance of Order R-21667, Operator discovered previously unidentified interest owner(s) in the Unit.
- 5. On June 7, 2022, Operator filed an application under Case 22922 with the OCD to amend Order R-21667 to pool additional interest owner(s). (The applications filed under Case Nos. 22684, 22849, and 22922 are referred to as the "Applications")
- 6. Operator identified the owners of uncommitted interests in oil and gas minerals in the Unit and provided evidence that notice of the Applications was given.
- 7. Operator has demonstrated good cause to extend the deadlines in Order R-21667.
- 8. The Application was heard by the Hearing Examiner, during which Operator presented evidence through affidavits in support of the Applications. No other party presented evidence at the hearing.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

9. OCD has jurisdiction to issue this Order pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-17.

- 10. Operator satisfied the notice requirements for the Applications and the hearing as required by 19.15.4.12 NMAC.
- 11. OCD satisfied the notice requirements for the hearing as required by 19.15.4.9 NMAC.
- 12. Operator has the right to drill the Well to a common source of supply at the depth and location in the Unit described in Exhibit A.
- 13. This Order affords to each owner of an uncommitted interest the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the oil or gas in the pool.
- 14. The previously unidentified interest owner has not agreed to commit its interest to the Unit.
- 15. The pooling of the previously unidentified uncommitted interest in the Unit will prevent waste and protect correlative rights, including the drilling of unnecessary wells.
- 16. This Order affords to the previously unidentified interest owner the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the oil or gas in the pool.

## **ORDER**

- 17. The previously unidentified uncommitted interest in the Unit is hereby pooled in the Unit.
- 18. The Exhibit A attached to **this** order supersedes the original Exhibit A.
- 19. The period to drill the well(s) is extended until April 20, 2023.
- 20. This Order shall terminate automatically if Operator fails to comply with Paragraph 19 unless prior to termination Operator applies, and OCD grants, to amend Order R-21667 for good cause shown.
- 21. OCD retains jurisdiction of this matter for the entry of such orders as may be deemed necessary.

Date: 10/28/2022

22. The remaining provisions of Order R-21667 remain in force or effect.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

DIRECTOR

AES/jag

CASE NO. 22684 & 22849 & 22922 ORDER NO. R-21667-A

# Exhibit A

ALL INFORMATION IN THE APPLICA	ATION MUST BE SUPPORTED BY SIGNED AFFIDAVITS		
Case:	22922		
Date	August 4, 2022		
Applicant	Matador Production Company		
Designated Operator & OGRID (affiliation if applicable)	Matador Production Company/OGRID No. 228937		
Applicant's Counsel:	James Bruce		
Case Title:	Application of Matador Production Company to re-open Case No. 21796 for Compulsory Pooling to pool additional parties, Lea County New Mexico		
Entries of Appearance/Intervenors:	ConocoPhillips Company/Holland & Hart LLP		
Well Family	Nina Cortell Bone Spring Wells		
Formation/Pool	selection of the first		
Formation Name(s) or Vertical Extent:	Bone Spring Formation		
Primary Product (Oil or Gas):	Oil 99190 and 60 29810 Million		
Pooling this vertical extent:	Entire Bone Spring formation		
Pool Name and Pool Code:	Bilbrey Basin; Bone Spring/Pool Code 5695		
Well Location Setback Rules:	Statewide rules and current horizontal well rules		
Spacing Unit Size:	Quarter-quarter sections/40 acres		
Spacing Unit	TO A JURIOUS SUSCESSION OF THE PARTY OF THE		
Type (Horizontal/Vertical)	Horizontal		
Size (Acres)	320 acres		
Building Blocks:	40 acres		
Orientation:	South-North		
Description: TRS/County	E/2E/2 §10 and E/2E/2 §3-22S-32E, NMPM, Lea County		
Standard Horizontal Well Spacing Unit (Y/N), If No, describe	Yes		
Other Situations	Revise		
Depth Severance: Y/N. If yes, description	No EXHIBIT F. 1		
Proximity Tracts: If yes, description	No —		
Proximity Defining Well: if yes, description	And the state of t		
Applicant's Ownership in Each Tract	Exhibits C-2 and C-3		
Well(s)	Beauty and a second sec		
Name & API (if assigned), surface and bottom hole location, footages, completion target, orientation, completion status (standard or nonstandard)	Nina Cortell Fed. Com. Well No. 134H, API No. Pending SHL: 274 FSL and 1230 FEL (Unit P) §10-22S-32E BHL: 60 feet FNL and 660 feet FEL (Unit A) §3-22S-32E FTP: 100 FSL & 660 FEL §10 LTP: 100 FNL & 660 FEL §3 Third Bone Spring Sand/TVD 11900 feet/MD 22000 feet		
Horizontal Well First and Last Take Points	See above		
Completion Target (Formation, TVD and MD)	See above		

Released to Imaging: 8/4/2022 12:27:28 PM

A Me Cayed har AC Operating Costs 58 AM	Page 3		
Drilling Supervision/Month \$	\$8000		
Production Supervision/Month \$	\$800		
Justification for Supervision Costs	Exhibit C, page 4		
Requested Risk Charge	Cost + 200%/Exhibit A, Case No. 21796		
Notice of Hearing			
Proposed Notice of Hearing	Exhibit A		
Proof of Mailed Notice of Hearing (20	\$15.44 ( 21.55 × 2.55)		
days before hearing)	Exhibit B		
Proof of Published Notice of Hearing (10	501 MC-12 1 100 MC		
days before hearing)	Not necessary		
Ownership Determination	A TOTAL COMMUNICATION OF THE TOTAL STATE OF THE STATE OF		
Land Ownership Schematic of the			
Spacing Unit	Exhibits C-2 and C-3		
Tract List (including lease numbers and			
owners)	Exhibit C-2		
Pooled Parties (including ownership			
type)	Exhibit C-3		
Unlocatable Parties to be Pooled	N/A		
Ownership Depth Severance (including			
percentage above & below)	None		
Joinder	property and the second		
Sample Copy of Proposal Letter	Exhibit C-4		
List of Interest Owners (i.e. Exhibit A of			
JOA)	Exhibit C-3		
Chronology of Contact with Non-Joined			
Working Interests	Exhibit C-4		
Overhead Rates In Proposal Letter	\$8000/\$800		
Cost Estimate to Drill and Complete	Exhibit C-5		
Cost Estimate to Equip Well	Exhibit C-5		
Cost Estimate for Production Facilities	Exhibit C-5		
Geology	A STATE OF THE STA		
Summary (including special	The second secon		
considerations)	Exhibit C		
Spacing Unit Schematic	Exhibits C-1 and C-2		
Gunbarrel/Lateral Trajectory Schematic	Exhibits D-2 and D-3		
Well Orientation (with rationale)	Standup/Exhibit D		
Target Formation	Bone Spring		
HSU Cross Section	Exhibit D-3		
Depth Severance Discussion	Not Applicable		
Forms, Figures and Tables			
C-102	Exhibit C-1		
Tracts	Exhibit C-1 and C-2		
Summary of Interests, Unit	D.a. (2011) 227 7 7 1		
Recapitulation (Tracts)	Exhibits C-1 and C-3		
General Location Map (including basin)	Exhibit D-1		
Well Bore Location Map	Exhibit C-1		
Structure Contour Map - Subsea Depth	Exhibit D-2		
Cross Section Location Map (including	Exhibit D-3		

Released to Imaging: 8/4/2022 12:27:28 PM

Werseived by OCD: 8/4/2022 11:54:58 AM		Page	e 4 of 7
Cross Section (including Landing Zone)	Exhibit D-3		
Additional Information			
CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the information provided in this checklist is complete and accurate.			
Printed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	James Bruce	1 0	
Signed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):		Lowes Bruce	
Date:	August 2, 2022		
	teetive		

Released to Imaging: 8/4/2022 12:27:28 PM