

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

**IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION FOR
COMPULSORY POOLING SUBMITTED BY
APACHE CORPORATION**

**CASE NO. 23040
ORDER NO. R-21909-A**

ORDER

The Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (“OCD”), having heard this matter through a Hearing Examiner on October 20, 2022, and after considering the testimony, evidence, and recommendation of the Hearing Examiner, issues the following Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Apache Corporation (“Operator”) submitted an application (“Application”) requesting an extension to drill the well(s) as required by Order R-21909.
2. Operator identified the owners of uncommitted interests in oil and gas minerals in the Unit and provided evidence that notice of the Application was given.
3. Operator has demonstrated good cause to extend the deadlines in Order R-21909.
4. The Application was heard by the Hearing Examiner, during which Operator presented evidence through affidavits in support of the Application. No other party presented evidence at the hearing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

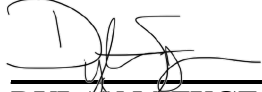
5. OCD has jurisdiction to issue this Order pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-17.
6. Operator satisfied the notice requirements for the Application and the hearing as required by 19.15.4.12 NMAC.
7. OCD satisfied the notice requirements for the hearing as required by 19.15.4.9 NMAC.

ORDER

8. The period to drill the well(s) is extended until October 25, 2023.
9. This Order shall terminate automatically if Operator fails to comply with Paragraph 7 unless prior to termination Operator applies, and OCD grants, to amend Order R-21909 for good cause shown.
10. OCD retains jurisdiction of this matter for the entry of such orders as may be deemed necessary.

11. The remaining provisions of Order R-21909 remain in force or effect.

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