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

APPLICATION OF APACHE CORPORATION, TO POOL AN ADDITIONAL WORKING INTEREST OWNER UNDER THE TERMS OF ORDER NO. R-23093

CASE NO. 25084 ORDER NO. R-23093-A

ORDER

The Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("OCD"), having heard this matter through a Hearing Examiner on February 13, 2025, and after considering the testimony, evidence, and recommendation of the Hearing Examiner, issues the following Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On March 13, 2024, OCD issued Order R-23093 to Apache Corporation ("Operator") to pool the uncommitted oil and gas interests within the specified spacing unit ("Unit").
- 2. Subsequent to the issuance of Order R-23093, Operator discovered previously unidentified interest owner(s) in the Unit.
- 3. Operator provided evidence that it gave notice of the Application and the hearing to the previously unidentified interest owner(s).
- 4. Operator presented evidence through affidavits in support of the Application.
- 5. 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. The previously unidentified interest owner(s) has not agreed to commit its interest to the Unit.
- 11. The pooling of the previously unidentified uncommitted interest in the Unit will prevent waste and protect correlative rights, including the drilling of unnecessary wells.
- 12. This Order affords the previously unidentified interest owner(s) the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the oil or gas in the pool.

ORDER

- 13. The previously unidentified uncommitted interest in the Unit is hereby pooled in the Unit.
- 14. Order R-23093 shall remain in full force and effect.
- 15. OCD retains jurisdiction of this matter for the entry of such orders as may be deemed necessary.

Date: 2/19/2025

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GERASIMOS RAZATOS DIRECTOR (ACTING)

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