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

APPLICATIONS OF READ & STEVENS, INC. OCD CA

OCD CASE NOS. 24941-24942

FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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OCD CASE NOS. 25145-25148

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APPLICATIONS OF V - F PETROLEUM INC.

OCD CASE NOS. 24994-24995 & 25116

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OCD CASE NOS. 25115 & 25117

OCC CASE NOS. 25238 & 25239

ORDER NO. R-23760

ORDER DENYING V - F PETROLEUM INC. and CAROLYN BEALL'S APPLICATION FOR DE NOVO HEARING as PREMATURE

This matter is before the Commission on **OCC CASE NOS. 25238** and **25239** on V - F PETROLEUM INC. and CAROLYN BEALL's APPLICATION FOR DE NOVO HEARING. Having considered the request, and being fully appraised in the matter,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

- 1. On February 24, 2025, V F PETROLEUM INC. filed its Application for De Novo hearing.
- 2. On February 26, 2025, CAROLYN BEALL filed its Application for De Novo hearing.
- 3. NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-13 states: "When any matter or proceeding is referred to an examiner and a decision is rendered thereon, any party of record adversely affected shall have the right to have the matter heard de novo before the commission upon application filed with the division within thirty days from the time any such decision is rendered."
- 4. 19.15.4.23A NMAC states: "When the division enters an order pursuant to a hearing that a division examiner held, a party of record whom the order adversely affects has the right to... file[s] a written application for de novo hearing with the commission clerk."
- 5. The above listed cases are still pending before the Division's Hearing Examiner.

- 6. A hearing has not been "held" to its completion in front of the Division's Hearing Examiner and therefore a "decision" has not been rendered in these cases.
- 7. No right to interlocutory appeal exists in the applicable statutes and rules.
- 8. Good cause does not exist to grant the Applications and both Applications therefore are DENIED as premature.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: 4/3/2025

Gerasimos Razatos, Acting Chairman New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission