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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

- Engineering Bureau -

1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505



ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION CHECKLIST THIS CHECKLIST IS MANDATORY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH REQUIRE PROCESSING AT THE DIVISION LEVEL IN SANTA FE **Application Acronyms:** [NSL-Non-Standard Location] [NSP-Non-Standard Proration Unit] [SD-Simultaneous Dedication] [DHC-Downhole Commingling] [CTB-Lease Commingling] [PLC-Pool/Lease Commingling] [PC-Pool Commingling] [OLS - Off-Lease Storage] [OLM-Off-Lease Measurement] [WFX-Waterflood Expansion] [PMX-Pressure Maintenance Expansion] [SWD-Salt Water Disposal] [IPI-Injection Pressure Increase] [EOR-Qualified Enhanced Oil Recovery Certification] [PPR-Positive Production Response] _ NSP 1950 [1] TYPE OF APPLICATION - Check Those Which Apply for [A] Location - Spacing Unit - Simultaneous Dedication -Cimanex ☐ NSL ■ NSP ☐ SD Check One Only for [B] or [C] - Honneby 35 Federal com 11H Commingling - Storage - Measurement ☐ DHC ☐ CTB ☐ PLC ☐ PC ☐ OLS ☐ OLM 30-015-4217/ Injection - Disposal - Pressure Increase - Enhanced Oil Recovery [C] □ WFX □ PMX □ SWD □ IPI □ EOR □ PPR -Hay HOHOW BONE Spent [D] Other: Specify [2] NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO: - Check Those Which Apply, or Does Not Apply Working, Royalty or Overriding Royalty Interest Owners Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Surface Owner [B]Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice [C]Notification and/or Concurrent Approval by BLM or SLO [D] U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office For all of the above, Proof of Notification or Publication is Attached, and/or, [E] [F] Waivers are Attached SUBMIT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS THE TYPE [3] OF APPLICATION INDICATED ABOVE. **CERTIFICATION:** I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application for administrative approval is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that no action will be taken on this application until the required information and notifications are submitted to the Division. Note: Statement must be completed by an individual with managerial and/or supervisory capacity. Signature 5/27/14 Agent for Cimarex Energy Company David Catanach Print or Type Name Title drcatanach@netscape.com

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Attention:

Ms. Jami Bailey

Division Director

Re:

Application for Non-Standard Spacing Unit/

Horizontal Project Area

Hornsby 35 Federal Com No. 11H

Surface Location (SL): 210' FSL & 750' FEL (Lot 1) First Take Point (FTP): 330' FSL & 750' FEL (Lot 1)

Both in Section 35, Township 26 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, **Bottomhole Location (BHL):** 330' FNL & 750' FEL (Unit A)

Section 26, Township 26 South, Range 27 East, NMPM,

Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Bailey:

Pursuant to Division Rule 19.15.15.11, Cimarex Energy Company ("Cimarex") respectfully requests administrative approval for a 224.18-Acre Non-Standard Spacing Unit/Horizontal Project Area comprising the E/2 E/2 of Section 26 and Unit A and Lot 1 (E/2 NE/4 equivalent) of Irregular Section 35, both in Township 26 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

The proposed Hornsby 35 Federal Com No. 11H, which will be drilled as a horizontal well at a standard well location to test the Hay Hollow-Bone Spring Pool (30215), will be dedicated to the proposed non-standard spacing unit.

The Hay Hollow-Bone Spring Pool is currently governed by Division Rule 19.19.15.9 which requires standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration units with wells to be located no closer than 330 feet to the outer boundary of the spacing unit.

The attached plat shows that Section 35 is an irregular section whose southern boundary is the New Mexico/Texas State Line. This section is comprised of four standard 40-acre units (Units A, B, C & D) and four non-standard lots (Lots 1-4) that each comprise approximately 24 acres.

The concurrent development of Sections 26 and 35 in the Bone Spring formation in the manner proposed by Cimarex represents a reasonable and effective method by

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which portions of Irregular Section 35 can be incorporated into horizontal Bone Spring project areas.

In addition to the currently proposed non-standard spacing unit, Cimarex, as operator of the Bone Spring formation in Sections 26 & 35, has or will propose three additional non-standard Bone Spring spacing units comprising: i) the W/2 W/2 of Section 26 and Unit D and Lot 4 (W/2 NW/4 equivalent) of Irregular Section 35; ii) E/2 W/2 of Section 26 and Unit C and Lot 3 (E/2 NW/4 equivalent) of Irregular Section 35 and; iii) W/2 E/2 of Section 26 and Unit B and Lot 2 (W/2 NE/4 equivalent) of Irregular Section 35

Affected Offset Acreage-Non-Standard Spacing Unit: Division Rule 19.15.4.12(A)(3) requires that notice for non-standard proration units be provided to "owners of interest in the mineral estate to be excluded from the proration unit in the quarter-quarter section for 40-acre pools or formations, the one-half quarter section for 80-acre pools or formations, the quarter section for 160-acre pools or formations, the half section for 320-acre pools or formations or section for 640-acre pools or formations in which the non-standard unit is located". As shown on the attached plat, and as previously stated in this application, all acreage in Irregular Section 35 will ultimately be included in one of four horizontal Bone Spring Project Areas operated by Cimarex. Since no acreage will be excluded from participating in Bone Spring development in Sections 26 and Irregular Section 35, no interest owner is affected by the proposed non-standard spacing unit, and consequently, notice of this application is not required, and has not been provided to any party.

Please note that that the working interest ownership within all of Section 26 and all of Irregular Section 35 is common.

Attached is a Form C-102 showing the proposed well and proposed non-standard spacing unit. Please note that there are currently no other Bone Spring producing wells within the proposed non-standard spacing unit. Also attached is a map that shows other existing or proposed Bone Spring Horizontal Project Areas that either directly offset the proposed non-standard spacing unit, or are located within Sections 26 and Irregular Section 35.

In summary, approval of the application will provide Cimarex the opportunity to recover additional oil and gas reserves from the Hay Hollow-Bone Spring Pool underlying the E/2 E/2 of Section 26 and Unit A and Lot 1 (E/2 NE/4 equivalent) of Irregular Section 35 that may otherwise not be recovered, thereby preventing waste, and will not violate correlative rights.

If you should have any questions, please call me at (505) 690-9453.

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Sincerely,

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State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-102 Revised August 1, 2011

Submit one copy to appropriate
District Office

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

AMENDED REPORT

API Number 30015-4217	71 Pool Code 30215	Pool Name Hay Hallow; Bone Spring		
Property Code	Prop	erty Name	Well Number	
40444	HORNSBY "35	" FEDERAL COM	11H	
OGRID No.	Opera	ator Name	Elevation	
215099	CIMAREX	ENERGY CO.	3228'	

Surface Location

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Peet from the	North/South line	Peet from the	East/West line	County
LOT 1	35	26 S	27 E		210	SOUTH	750	EAST	EDDY

Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

Ì	UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Peet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County	
	A	26	26 S	27 E		330	NORTH	750	EAST	EDDY	
	Dedicated Acres	Joint o	r Infill Co	nsolidation (Code Or	der No.			<u> </u>		
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NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION



