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State of New Mexico
Department of Energy, Minerals & Natural Res.
Oil Conservation Division
Houston, Texas 77002

(via email)

**RE: Case Nos. 21764 & 21765
Application of Cimarex Energy Co.
For Horizontal Unit and Compulsory Pooling
Objection & Statement**

To whom it may concern:

Please consider this letter as written objection in the above referenced matters from Isramco Inc., on behalf of its subsidiaries Isramco Energy LLC, Isramco Resources LLC, and Jay Petroleum LLC (collectively herein "Isramco").

Statement:

In the above referenced matters, the Applications of which are attached hereto and made part hereof, Cimarex Energy Co. contends in No 5 of each of the Applications:

"Cimarex has sought in good faith, but has been unable to obtain, voluntary agreement from all interest owners to participate in the drilling of the well or in the commitment of their interests to the well for its development in within the proposed HSU."

Response:

Isramco has no record of being approached by the Applicant, Cimarex Energy Co., with any offer to participate in the wells covered by **Case Nos. 21764 & 21765**. Isramco hereby objects to the Application filed in both matters and moves that both Application be rejected by the Oil Conservation Division.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (713) 392-1784 or at tjames@isramco-jay.com.

Thank You,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Anthony James".

Anthony James
Land Manager

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

**APPLICATION OF CIMAREX ENERGY CO.
FOR A HORIZONTAL SPACING UNIT AND
COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

Case No. 21764

APPLICATION

Cimarex Energy Co. ("Cimarex"), OGRID No. 215099, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this Application with the Oil Conservation Division ("Division") pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-17, for an order (1) creating a standard 480-acre, more or less, spacing and proration unit comprised of the N/2 N/2 of Sections 2 and 1, Township 20 South, Range 29 East; and the N/2 N/2 of Section 6, Township 20 South, Range 30 East; NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, and (2) pooling all uncommitted mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying said unit.

In support of its Application, Cimarex states the following:

1. This is a competing application, and alternative development plan, in relation to the pooling application filed by Colgate Operating, LLC, in Case No. 21629.
2. Cimarex is a working interest owner in the proposed horizontal spacing and proration unit ("HSU") and has a right to drill a well thereon. Cimarex proposes to drill a well to a sufficient depth to test the Bone Spring formation.
3. Cimarex proposes to dedicate the HSU to its **Crest 2-1-6 State Fed Com 1H Well**, an oil well, proposed to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in Lot 4 (aka NW/4 NW/4) of Section 2 to a bottom hole location in Lot 1 (aka NE/4 NE/4) of Section 6. Sections 2, 1 and 6 are correction sections.

4. The well is orthodox, and the completed interval and first and last take points for the well meet the setback requirements set forth in the Division's statewide rules and regulations for horizontal oil wells.

5. Cimarex has sought in good faith, but has been unable to obtain, voluntary agreement from all interest owners to participate in the drilling of the well or in the commitment of their interests to the well for its development within the proposed HSU.

6. The pooling of all interests in the Bone Spring formation within the proposed HSU, and creation of the spacing unit, will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

7. In order to provide for its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, Cimarex requests that all uncommitted interests in this HSU be pooled and that Cimarex be designated the operator of the proposed horizontal well and HSU.

WHEREFORE, Cimarex requests that this Application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on April 8, 2021, and after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

A. Approving the creation of a standard 480-acre, more or less, spacing and proration unit comprising the N/2 N/2 of Sections 2 and 1, Township 20 South, Range 29 East; and the N/2 N/2 of Section 6, Township 20 South, Range 30 East; NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico;

B. Pooling all uncommitted mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the proposed HSU.

C. Designating the **Crest 2-1-6 State Fed Com 1H Well** as a well dedicated to the HSU.

D. Designating Cimarex as operator of this HSU and the horizontal well to be drilled thereon;

E. Authorizing Cimarex to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the well;

F. Approving actual operating charges and costs of supervision, to the maximum extent allowable, while drilling and after completion, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures; and

G. Setting a 200% charge for the risk assumed by Cimarex in drilling and completing the well in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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Application of Cimarex Energy Co. for a Horizontal Spacing and Proration Unit and Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order from the Division: (1) creating a standard 480-acre, more or less, horizontal spacing and proration unit comprised of the N/2 N/2 of Sections 2 and 1, Township 20 South, Range 29 East; and the N/2 N/2 of Section 6, Township 20 South, Range 30 East; NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, and (2) pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the unit. Said horizontal spacing unit is to be dedicated to the **Crest 2-1-6 State Fed Com 1H Well**, to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in Lot 4 (aka NW/4 NW/4) of Section 2 to a bottom hole location in Lot 1 (aka NE/4 NE/4) of Section 6. The completed interval and first take and last take point for the wells meet the Division's statewide setback requirements for horizontal oil wells. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well and the allocation of the costs thereof; actual operating costs and charges for supervision; the designation of the Applicant as Operator of the well and unit; and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well. The wells and lands are located approximately 12 miles northeast of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

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