

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

**APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING LLC
TO AMEND ORDER NO. R-21474 TO EXTEND
TIME TO COMMENCE DRILLING OPERATIONS,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

CASE NO. _____

APPLICATION

COG Operating LLC (“COG”) (OGRID No. 229137), through its undersigned attorneys, files this application with the Oil Conservation Division (“Division”) requesting the Division amend Order No. R-21474 to extend the deadline to commence drilling operations to one year from the date an amended order is issued. In support of its application, COG states the following:

1. The Division issued Order No. R-21474 (“Order”) in Case No. 21421 on September 21, 2020, which created a 640-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit (“Unit”) comprised of the W/2 of Sections 26 and 35, Township 23 South, Range 32 East, Lea County, New Mexico, and designated COG as the operator of the Unit.

2. The Order further pooled all uncommitted interests within the WC-025 G-09 S253236A; Upper Wolfcamp pool (98158) underlying the Unit and dedicated the Unit to the Bedlington Federal Com #701H, 702H, 703H, and 704H wells (“Wells”).

3. Paragraph 20 of the Order requires COG to commence drilling the Wells within one (1) year of the date of the Order unless COG obtains a time extension from the Division Director for good cause shown.

4. As a result of delays associated with Covid-19, it was necessary for COG to revise its drilling schedule. COG now plans to commence drilling the Wells in the first half of 2022.

5. As such, COG requests the Division amend the Order to extend the deadline for COG to commence drilling the Wells to one year from the date an amended order is issued.

WHEREFORE, COG requests that this application be set for hearing on September 9, 2021, and after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division amend Order No. R-21474 to extend the deadline for COG to commence drilling the wells to one year from the date an amended order is issued.

Respectfully submitted,

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