## BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## **APPLICATION**

Matador Production Company applies for an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interest owners in the Bone Spring formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2W/2 of Section 3 and the E/2W/2 of Section 10, Township 24 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support thereof, states:

- 1. Applicant is an operator in the E/2W/2 of Section 3 and the E/2W/2 of Section 10, and has the right to drill a well thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill the Tony La Russa State Com. Well No. 122H to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation, with a first take point in the NE/4NW/4 of Section 3 and a last take point in the SE/4SW/4 of Section 10.
- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the E/2W/2 of Section 3 and the E/2W/2 of Section 10 for the purposes set forth herein.
- 4. Although applicant attempted to obtain voluntary agreements from all mineral interest owners to participate in the drilling of the well or to otherwise commit their interests to the well, certain interest owners have failed or refused to join in dedicating their interests. Therefore, applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interest owners in the to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation underlying the E/2W/2 of Section 3 and the E/2W/2 of Section 10, pursuant to NMSA 1978 §70-2-17.

5. The pooling of all mineral interests in the to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2W/2 of Section 3 and

the E/2W/2 of Section 10 will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and

protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, applicant requests that, after notice and hearing, the Division enter its

order:

A. Pooling all uncommitted mineral interest owners in the Bone Spring formation

underlying the E/2W/2 of Section 3 and the E/2W/2 of Section 10;

B. Designating applicant as operator of the wells;

C. Considering the cost of drilling, completing, and equipping the wells, and

allocating the cost thereof among the wells' working interest owners;

D. Approving actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision, together

with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure; and

E. Setting a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling, completing, and equipping

the wells in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in a well.

Respectfully submitted,

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