## BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY TO AMEND ORDER NO. R-21737, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## APPLICATION

Mewbourne Oil Company applies for an order amending Order No. R-21737, and in support thereof states:

- 1. Order No. R-21737 pooled all mineral interest owners in the Bone Spring formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2W/2 of Section 17 and the E/2W/2 of Section 8, Township 26 South, Range 33 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill the Zach 17/8 B2NC Fed. Com. Well No. 1H to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation, with a first take point in the SE/4SW/4 of Section 17 and a final take point in the NE/4NW/4 of Section 8. Order No. R-21737 designates Applicant as operator of the well.
- 3. This matter was heard on June 3, 2021, and Order No. R-21737 was entered on June 10, 2021. Paragraph 19 of Order No. R-21737 requires the operator to commence the well within one year of the date of issuance. Paragraph 20 of Order No. R-21737 provides that the order will terminate if the well is not timely commenced, unless the operator "obtains an extension by amending this Order for good cause shown."
- 4. Applicant requests an extension of the drilling deadline due to market conditions and public health restrictions which have altered drilling schedules. In addition, an APD has not yet been approved by the Bureau of Land Management, so applicant cannot commence the well. Thus good cause exists for Applicant's request for an extension.

5. Applicant requests an extension of the well commencement deadline to June 10, 2023.

**WHEREFORE**, applicant requests that, after notice and hearing, the Division enter its order amending Order No. R-21737 to extend the well commencement deadline to June 10, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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