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

APPLICATION OF EARTHSTONE OPERATING, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 23245

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

Earthstone Operating, LLC ("Earthstone" or "Applicant") submits its Pre-Hearing Statement pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

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INTERESTED PARTY ATTORNEYS

None.

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Earthstone applies for an order pooling all uncommitted interests within the Bone Spring formation underlying a 321.27-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of Lot 2, SW/4 NE/4, and W/2 SE/4 (W/2 E/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 5 and the W/2 E/2 of Section 8, Township 19 South, Range 33 East, Lea County, New Mexico. The spacing unit will be dedicated to the following wells:

• **Bel-Air 5-8 Fed 1BS Com 3H** well, to be drilled from a surface hole location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 32, Township 18 South, Range 33 East to a bottom hole

location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 8, Township 19 South, Range 33 East; and

• **Bel-Air 5-8 Fed 2BS Com 7H** well, to be drilled from a surface hole location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 32, Township 18 South, Range 33 East to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 8, Township 19 South, Range 33 East.

The completed intervals of the wells will be orthodox. Also to be considered in each case will be the cost of drilling and completing the wells and the allocation of the costs, the designation of Applicant as the operator of the wells, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the wells.

The wells are located approximately 33 miles west of Hobbs, New Mexico.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

Witness	Occupation	Estimated Time	Exhibits
Matt Solomon	Landman	Affidavit	Approx. 5
Jason Asmus	Geologist	Affidavit	Approx. 5
PROCEDURAL MATTERS			

Applicant will present this matter by affidavit if there is no opposition.

Respectfully submitted,

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Testimony		
Please assist us by provide the following information about your testimony.		
Number of witnesses	Not answered.	
Testimony time (in minutes)	Not answered.	