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

APPLICATION OF BTA OIL PRODUCERS, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

**CASE NO. 23737** 

# PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

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

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#### STATEMENT OF THE CASE

BTA applies for an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a 480-acre, more or less, standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of the NW/4 of Section 26 and the W/2 of Section 23, Township 20 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico ("Unit"). BTA seeks to dedicate the Unit to the following proposed wells ("Wells"):

- The Lost Mine 22302 26-23 Fed Com #1H well, to be drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 NW/4 (Unit F) of Section 26 to a bottom hole location in the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) of Section 23;
- The Lost Mine 22302 26-23 Fed Com #2H well, to be drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 NW/4 (Unit F) of Section 26 to a bottom hole location in the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) of Section 23;
- The Lost Mine 22302 26-23 Fed Com #3H well, to be drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 NW/4 (Unit F) of Section 26 to a bottom hole location in the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) of Section 23; and
- The Lost Mine 22302 26-23 Fed Com #4H well, to be drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 NW/4 (Unit F) of Section 26 to a bottom hole location in the NE/4 NW/4 (Unit C) of Section 23.

The completed intervals of the Wells will be orthodox. Also to be considered 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 16.5 miles northwest of Eunice, New Mexico.

#### **PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

Witness	Occupation	<b>Estimated Time</b>	Exhibits
Adams Davenport	Landman	Affidavit	Approx. 5
Darin A. Dolezal	Geologist	Affidavit	Approx. 5

## **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

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

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on October 12, 2023, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing pleading on the following counsel of record by electronic mail:

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QUESTIONS

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#### **QUESTIONS**

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#### QUESTIONS

Testimony		
Please assist us by provide the following information about your testimony.		
Number of witnesses	Not answered.	
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