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

APPLICATIONS OF FRANKLIN MOUNTAIN ENERGY 3, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING AND NOTICE OF OVERLAPPING SPACING UNIT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case Nos. 23841-23852

APPLICATIONS OF COG OPERATING LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case Nos. 23980-23983

APPLICATIONS OF COG OPERATING LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Cases Nos. 23987-23988, 24032-24035

## JOINT MOTION TO VACATE PRE-HEARING ORDER AND SET A STATUS CONFERENCE

Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC ("Franklin Mountain"), COG Operating LLC ("COG"), and MRC Permian Company ("MRC"), move the vacate the Pre-Hearing Order setting these matters for a contested hearing on April 9, 2024, and to set the remaining contested cases for a status conference on April 18, 2024. In support of this motion, movants state:

- MRC has recently filed pooling applications under Cases 24314-24319 (Jack Hammack wells) and Cases 24327-24334 (Mark McKinley wells) that compete with the pooling applications filed by Franklin Mountain.
- 2. With the filing of the MRC competing pooling cases, COG has now dismissed Cases 23980-23981 (Crow State wells), Cases 23982-23983 (Moaning Pheasant wells), Cases 23987-23988 (Vulture wells) and Cases 24032-24035 (Nightjar wells).
- 3. Franklin Mountain recently filed amended pooling applications for its Gold State wells under Cases 24356, 24358-24360, which replace Franklin Mountain's previously filed Gold State cases, Cases 23841-23844.

- 4. Franklin Mountain recently filed amended pooling applications for its Parallel State wells under Cases 24348, 24350-24355, and 24362, which replace Franklin Mountain's previously filed Parallel State cases, Cases 23845-23852.
- 5. At the February 1st status conference in the above referenced matters, counsel was instructed to amend the prehearing orders once the competing MRC cases were filed with the Division. Tr. 47-50.
- 6. The remaining applicants, MRC and Franklin Mountain, are engaged in extensive and productive settlement discussions that may resolve the remaining competing pooling cases without a hearing.
- 7. Vacating the existing prehearing order and setting the remaining cases for a status conference on April 18th, will allows the parties to continue discussions on a resolution and potentially avoid an unnecessary hearing.
- 8. Counsel for the other parties appearing in these matters has been contacted and do not oppose this motion.
- 9. A proposed order granting this joint motion will be forwarded to the Division via email as a word document.

WHEREFORE movants request that (a) the prehearing order setting these matters for a contested hearing on April 9th be vacated, and (b) that the Division set a status conference on April 18, 2024, the to address the following remaining competing cases: Franklin Mountain Cases 24356, 24358-24360 23841-44 (Gold State wells), Franklin Mountain Cases 24348, 24350-24355, and 24362 23845-23852 (Parallel State wells), MRC Cases 24314-24319 (Jack Hammack wells) and MRC Cases 24327-24334 (Mark McKinley wells).

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