BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING AND TO VACATE EXISTING ORDERS, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No.

APPLICATION

Mewbourne Oil Company applies for an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interest owners in the Bone Spring formation underlying a non-standard horizontal spacing unit comprised of Sections 27, 28, and 29, Township 20 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and to vacate existing orders covering a portion of the pooled lands, and in support thereof, states:

1. Applicant is an interest owner in Sections 27, 28, and 29 (containing 1920 acres), and has the right to drill a well or wells thereon.

2. Applicant proposes to drill the following wells to depths sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation:

(a) The Pinta 29/27 Fed. Com. Well No. 528H, with a first take point in the SW/4SW/4 of Section 29 and a last take point in the SE/4SE/4 of Section 27;

(b) The Pinta 29/27 Fed. Com. Well No. 618H, with a first take point in the SW/4SW/4 of Section 29 and a last take point in the SE/4SE/4 of Section 27; and

(c) The Pinta 29/27 Fed. Com. Well No. 613H, with a first take point in the SW/4NW/4 of Section 29 and a last take point in the SE/4NE/4 of Section 27.

3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in Sections 27, 28, and 29 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 wells or to otherwise commit their interests to the wells, certain interest owners have failed or refused to join in dedicating their interests. Therefore, applicant seeks an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interest owners in the Bone Spring formation underlying Sections 27, 28, and 29, pursuant to NMSA 1978 §70-2-17.

5. The S/2S/2 of Sections 27, 28, and 29 are subject to existing pooling orders (Nos. R- 22327, as amended, and R-22328, as amended). These orders should be vacated and replaced by the order issued in this case.

6. The pooling of all uncommitted mineral interest owners in the Bone Spring formation underlying the Sections 27, 28, and 29 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
(Avalon; Bone Spring Pool/Pool Code 96381) underlying Sections 27, 28, and 29;

B. Designating applicant as operator of the wells;

C. Considering the cost of drilling, completing, and equipping the well, and allocating the cost 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;

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 the wells; and

F. Vacating Order Nos. R- 22327, as amended, and R-22328, as amended.

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Respectfully submitted,

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