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

APPLICATION OF MRC PERMIAN COMPANY TO EXTEND THE DRILLING DEADLINE UNDER ORDER R-23478, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**CASE NO. 25643 ORDER R-23478** 

APPLICATION OF MRC PERMIAN COMPANY TO EXTEND THE DRILLING DEADLINE UNDER ORDER R-23479, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**CASE NO. 25645 ORDER R-23479** 

APPLICATION OF MRC PERMIAN COMPANY TO EXTEND THE DRILLING DEADLINE UNDER ORDER R-23482, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**CASE NO. 25646 ORDER R-23482** 

APPLICATION OF MRC PERMIAN COMPANY TO EXTEND THE DRILLING DEADLINE UNDER ORDER R-23483, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**CASE NO. 25647 ORDER R-23483** 

### MRC'S CONSOLIDATED PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

MRC Permian Company ("MRC" or "Applicant"), the applicant in the above-referenced matters, submits this Consolidated Pre-Hearing Statement pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

### **APPEARANCES**

# APPLICANT

### **ATTORNEYS**

MRC Permian Company

Adam G. Rankin
Paula M. Vance
Holland & Hart, LLP
Post Office Box 2208
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2208
(505) 988-4421
(505) 983-6043 Facsimile

# APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF THE CASES

Under these consolidated cases, MRC seeks orders extending the deadlines to drill the proposed wells, all located within Township 18 South, Range 34 East, and Township 19 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico:

- Under Case No. 25643, MRC seeks an order to amend Order No. R-23478 ("Order") to allow for an extension of time for drilling the proposed initial well under the Order. Division Order No. R-23478, entered on October 23, 2024, in Case No. 24287, created a standard 324.32-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit comprised of the W/2 W/2 of Section 34, T18S-R34E, and Lot 4, the SW/4 NW/4, and the W/2 SW/4 (W/2 W/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 3, T19S-R34E (the "Unit") and designated Matador Production Company ("Matador") as operator of the Unit. Order R-23478 further pooled the uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation (Airstrip; Bone Spring [960] and Scharb; Bone Spring [55610] pools) in the Unit and dedicated the unit to the proposed initial Art Smith State Com 121H well;
- Under Case No. 25645, MRC seeks an order to amend Order No. R-23479 ("Order") to allow for an extension of time for drilling the proposed initial well under the Order. Division Order No. R-23479, entered on October 23, 2024, in Case No. 24288, created a

standard 324.28-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit comprised of the E/2 W/2 of Section 34, T18S-R34E, and Lot 3, the SE/4 NW/4, and the E/2 SW/4 (E/2 W/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 3, T19S-R34E (the "Unit") and designated Matador as operator of the Unit. Order R-23479 further pooled the uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation (Airstrip; Bone Spring [960] and Scharb; Bone Spring [55610] pools) in the Unit and dedicated the unit to the proposed initial **Art Smith State Com 122H**;

- Under Case No. 25646, MRC seeks an order to amend Order No. R-23482 ("Order") to allow for an extension of time for drilling the proposed initial well under the Order. Division Order No. R-23482, entered on October 23, 2024, in Case No. 24294, created a standard 324.32-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit comprised of the W/2 W/2 of Section 34, T18S-R34E, and Lot 4, the SW/4 NW/4, and the W/2 SW/4 (W/2 W/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 3, T19S-R34E (the "Unit") and designated Matador as operator of the Unit. Order R-23482 further pooled the uncommitted interests in the Wolfcamp formation (Airstrip; Wolfcamp [970] pool) in the Unit and dedicated the unit to the proposed initial Art Smith State Com 241H well;
- Under Case No. 25647, MRC seeks an order to amend Order No. R-23483 ("Order") to allow for an extension of time for drilling the proposed initial well under the Order. Division Order No. R-23483, entered on October 23, 2024, in Case No. 24295, created a standard 324.28-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit comprised of the E/2 W/2 of Section 34, T18S-R34E, and Lot 3, the SE/4 NW/4, and the E/2 SW/4 (E/2 W/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 3, T19S-R34E (the "Unit") and designated Matador as operator of the Unit. Order R-23483 further pooled the uncommitted interests in the

Wolfcamp formation (Airstrip; Wolfcamp [970] pool) in the Unit and dedicated the unit to the proposed initial Art Smith State Com 242H well;

There is good cause for Applicant's request for an extension of time to drill. Matador did not spud the initial wells during the initial terms of the Orders due to drill schedule availability, which was compounded when Matador reduced its rig count during 2025. However, Matador is eager to develop the covered acreage and based on its current rig schedule is set to spud the initial wells before the end of 2025.

# APPLICANT'S PROPOSED EVIDENCE

**WITNESS** 

**ESTIMATED TIME** 

**EXHIBITS** 

Name and Expertise

Isaac Evans, Landman

Affidavit

Approx. 1

# PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Pursuant to the original Pooling Orders, MRC requests that the Division enter orders granting the extension requests if there are no objections.

Respectfully submitted,

HOLLAND & HART LLP

Adam G. Rankin

Paula M. Vance

Post Office Box 2208

Santa Fe, NM 87504

505-988-4421

505-983-6043 Facsimile

agrankin@hollandhart.com

pmvance@hollandhart.com

ATTORNEYS FOR MRC PERMIAN COMPANY

Sante Fe Main Office Phone: (505) 476-3441

General Information Phone: (505) 629-6116

Online Phone Directory https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/contact-us

# State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. St Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505

QUESTIONS

Action 511608

### **QUESTIONS**

Operator:	OGRID:
MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY	228937
One Lincoln Centre	Action Number:
Dallas, TX 75240	511608
	Action Type:
	[HEAR] Prehearing Statement (PREHEARING)

### QUESTIONS

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