

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

**APPLICATION OF MRC HAT MESA, LLC
TO EXTEND THE DRILLING
DEADLINE UNDER ORDER NO. R-23707,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. _____
ORDER NO. R-23707**

APPLICATION

MRC Hat Mesa, LLC (“MRC” or “Applicant”), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division to extend the drilling deadline under compulsory pooling Order No. R-23707 (“Pooling Order”). In support of its application, MRC states:

1. On February 19, 2025, the Division entered Order No. R-23707 in Case No. 25030, which pooled the uncommitted interests underlying a 320-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit in the Wolfcamp (oil) formation (WC-025- G-10 S2133280; Wolfcamp [98033]) comprised of the W/2 E/2 of Sections 14 and 23, Township 21 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico (the “Unit”). Matador Production Company (OGRID No. 228937) is the operator under the Pooling Order and the pooled spacing unit is initially dedicated to the proposed **Blue Chip 14 Fed Com 704H** (API No. 30-025-55172) well.

2. Good cause exists to extend the deadline to commence drilling the initial well under the Pooling Order.

3. Under the Order, Applicant would be required to commence drilling the well by February 20, 2026, and therefore, asks for the deadline to commence drilling the well be extended for a year, to February 20, 2027.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on February 5, 2026, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order extending the time for MRC to commence drilling the proposed initial well under the Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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CASE _____: **Application of MRC Hat Mesa, LLC to Extend the Drilling Deadline Under Order No. R-23707, Lea County, New Mexico.** Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks a year extension of time for drilling the initial well under Order No. R-23707. The Unit is a standard 320-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit in the Wolfcamp (oil) formation comprised of the W/2 E/2 of Sections 14 and 23, Township 21 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. Order No. R-23707 pooled the uncommitted mineral interests in the Wolfcamp (oil) formation and dedicated the Unit to the proposed initial **Blue Chip 14 Fed Com 704H** (API No. 30-025-55172) well, to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 11, to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 23. The subject area is located approximately 33 miles northeast of Carlsbad, New Mexico.