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Re: Application of Mewbourne Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Fesmire:

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Enclosed is the application of Mewbourne Oil Company in the above-referenced case as well as a copy of a legal advertisement. Mewbourne requests that this matter be placed on the docket for the July 22, 2004 Examiner hearings.

Very truly your William F. Carr

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Steve Smith , Senior Landman Mewbourne Oil Company

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

### IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION **OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

CASE NO. 13306

### **APPLICATION**

MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY ("Mewbourne"), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application pursuant to the provisions of N.M.Stat.Ann. § 70-2-17, (1978), for an order pooling all mineral interests in the S/2 of Section 2, Township 20 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation for all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing, which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Angell Ranch-Atoka Morrow Gas Pool, and in support of its application states:

1. Mewbourne is a working interest owner in the S/2 of Section 2 and has the right to drill thereon.

2. Applicant proposes to dedicate the above-referenced spacing and proration units to its Angel Draw "2" State Com Well No. 1 to be drilled at a standard gas well location in the SE/4 at a point 990 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of said Section 2 to an approximate depth of 11,300 feet to test any and all formations from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation.

3. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the development of this spacing and proration unit from the interest owners in the proposed spacing and proration unit identified on Exhibit A to this application.

4. Said pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste and will protect correlative rights.

5. In order to permit the Applicant to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, all mineral interests should be pooled, and Mewbourne Oil Company should be designated the operator of the well to be drilled.

WHEREFORE, Mewbourne Oil Company requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on July 22, 2004, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order:

- A. pooling all mineral interests in the subject spacing and proration unit,
- B. designating Mewbourne Oil Company operator of these units and the well to be drilled thereon,
- C. authorizing Mewbourne to recover their costs of drilling, equipping and completing the well,
- D. approving the operating charges and costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures,
- E. providing for subsequent operations on the pooled acreage in accordance with the operating agreement between the parties, and
- G. imposing a 200% penalty for the risk assumed in drilling and completing the well against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTORNEYS FOR MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY

### EXHIBIT A

### APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, S/2 SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 27 EAST, NMPM EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

### **NOTIFICATION LIST**

Alps Oil Company 1011 E. 7th Street Odessa, Texas 79761 Attention: Roy Collier

ChevronTexaco 15 Smith Road Midland, Texas 70705 Attention: Ms. Denise Beckham

Eastland Exploration, Inc. 2901 Cherry Lane Austin, Texas 78703 Attention Mr. Tom Sikes

Fortson Oil Company 301 Commerce Street, Suite 3301 Fort Worth, Texas 76102-4133 Attention: Brett Taylor

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Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in all formations from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation in the S/2 of Section 2. Township 20 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico for all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing, which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Angell Ranch-Atoka Morrow Gas Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to its Angle Draw "2" State Com. Well No. 1 to be drilled at a standard location 990 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of said Section 2 and drilled to a depth sufficient to test all formations from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, provisions governing subsequent operations on the pooled units, designation of Mewbourne Oil Company, as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 9 miles North of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

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