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

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF HEARING:

APPLICATION OF LANCE OIL & GAS COMPANY, INC. TO AMEND DIVISION ORDER R-11814 FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO **CASE 13360**



PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

Lance Oil & Gas Company, Inc. submits this pre-hearing statement as required by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARENCES OF THE PARTIES

APPLICANT

ATTORNEY

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OPPONENT

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none

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STATEMENT OF THE CASE

APPLICANT:

- (1) Effective October 1, 2004, Lance became the successor operator to Richardson Operating Company.
- (2) Richardson was a working interest owners in the oil and gas minerals underlying the W/2 of Section 21, T19N, R13W, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico that contains two existing wells:
 - a. The F-RPC "21" Well No. 3 (API# 30-045-31079) approved for downhole commingled production is located in the Unit E of this section and that approved the compulsory pooling of the 8W/4 for Pictured Cliffs production and the W/2 for production from Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool and is subject to Division Order R-11814, dated August 16, 2002, Case 11855 but was only completed in the Pictured Cliffs formation;
 - b. The F-RPC "21" Well No. 2 (API # 30-045-31059) located in the NW/4 that was originally to be drilled to the Pictured Cliffs formation and was subject to a compulsory pooling order for that formation, Division Order R-11813, dated August 16, 2002, Case 11813, but was completed in and only produces from the Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool.
- (3) On August 4, 2004, Richardson, as the operator, sent to all unleased mineral interest owners and working interest owners a written well proposal, including an AFE, for the addition of the F-RPC "21" Well No. 2 as the coalbed gas well to be dedicated to the W/2 of Section 21.
- (4) Despite reasonable efforts, neither Richardson or Lane was unable to conclude a voluntary agreement with those parties listed on Exhibit "A"
- (5) Pursuant to Commission Order R-11992, effective August 15, 2003, Lance requests that the 200% risk charge be applied.
- (6) Lance requests that this application be processed in accordance with Division Rule 1607(A)(1)(b) and accordingly will submit it evidence by affidavit.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES

EST. TIME

EST. EXHIBITS

Anne Jones, landman (by affidavit)

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PROCEDURAL MATTERS

None

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