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

APPLICATIONS OF MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR NON-STANDARD SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case Nos. 16061, 16062, 16063, 16064, 16065, 16066, 16067 and 16068

## MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE AND REQUEST FOR PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE

OXY USA, INC. ("OXY"), by and through undersigned counsel, hereby moves for a continuance of these cases from their current setting on the May 3, 2018 Hearing Examiner Docket until the Hearing Examiner docket on May 31, 2018. As grounds for continuance, OXY states as follows:

- 1. Case Nos. 16061-16068 relate to applications for compulsory pooling and non-standard spacing and proration units in the Bone Spring and Wolfcamp formations covering all of Section 7, Township 22S, Range 32E, Lea County, New Mexico.
  - 2. OXY has working interests in the properties that are the subject of the applications.
- 3. OXY currently opposes each of the applications and intends to provide testimony and arguments in opposition to each of them.
- 4. The subject applications are currently on the May 3, 2018 Hearing Examiner Docket for hearings.
- 5. OXY and Matador Production Company are engaged in discussions in hopes of reaching an amicable resolution, and OXY believes that additional time is needed to attempt to bring those discussions to a successful conclusion so that the parties can conserve the Hearing Examiners and their resources otherwise required for hearings on these matters.

- 6. One of OXY's witnesses is not available for a hearing on the May 17 Hearing Examiner Docket, so OXY proposes a continuance to the May 31 Hearing Examiner Docket.
- 7. OXY requests a pre-hearing conference to discuss this motion and any other pertinent matters.

Undersigned counsel has conferred with counsel for Matador Production Company, who indicates that the applicant opposes this Motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing pleading, was served by email and regular mail upon the following counsel on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2018.

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