# 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 CONSIDERING:

APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL PERMIAN LLC FOR A NON-STANDARD SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 16321

APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL PERMIAN LLC FOR A NON-STANDARD SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 16322

APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL PERMIAN LLC FOR A NON-STANDARD SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 16323

#### PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by Ascent Energy, LLC ("Ascent") as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

#### APPEARANCES

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#### STATEMENT OF THE CASES

### **APPLICANT**

Marathon Oil Permian LLC ("Marathon") seeks the pooling if horizontal spacing units in the Bone Spring and Wolfcamp formations comprised in the W/2 of Section 28 and the W/2 of Section 33, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM.

#### **OPPONENT**

Ascent filed counter-applications in Case Nos. 16232 and 16233. Ascent requests that Marathon's applications be denied, and that Ascent's applications be approved.

#### PROPOSED EVIDENCE

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Lee Zink (landman)	15 min.	Approx. 10
William Metz (geologist)	20 min.	Approx. 10
Alex Yancey (engineer)	20 Min.	Approx. 5

### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

The above-referenced cases should be consolidated for hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing pleading was served upon the following counsel of record this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 2018 via e-mail:

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