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

APPLICATION OF HPPC, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF A LEASE PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case No. 16455

## PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by Opponent as required by the Oil Conservation Division under 19.15.4.13 (B) NMAC.

#### **APPEARANCES**

<u>APPLICANT</u>

APPLICANT'S ATTORNEY

HPPC, Inc.

James Bruce

**OPPONENTS** 

OPPONENT'S ATTORNEY

New Mexico State Land Office

Katherine M. Moss

## STATEMENT OF THE CASE

## **APPLICANT**

Case No. 16455: Applicant seeks approval to inject produced water into the Abo formation at depths of 8887-8928 feet subsurface in Leas 946 State Well No. 1, located 1980 feet from the north line and 660 feet from the west line (Unit E) of Section 2. The expected injection rate is 500 BWPD, and the maximum injection pressure to 1777 psi.

This application was received by the State Land Office (SLO) Oil Gas and Minerals Division who, having reviewed the C-108 and reviewed the surrounding wells, (See Attachment A) have concluded that conversion of this oil well to water injection will caused damage to state trust lands and that lands beneficiaries the State Land Beneficiary. Such injection will drive oil from the State Trust Lands to Fee lands without any benefit to the State Land Beneficiary (see: attached SLO map markup by AEH).

## PROPOSED EVIDENCE

## **APPLICANT**

The State Land Office has not received notice of witnesses or exhibits that will be presented by the Applicant.

## **STATE LAND OFFICE**

WITNESSES	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
Anchor Holm	30 min	Approx. 6
Niranjan Khalsa	15 min	Approx. 3

## OTHER OPPONENTS

The State Land Office has not received notice of witnesses or exhibits that will be presented by the other opponent.

## PROCEDURAL MATTERS

No procedural matters have been identified that are to be resolved prior to the 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 11th day of October, 2018 on the attached Exhibit A.

Katherine M. Moss

AEH/EN to intervent

# Exhibit A

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