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July 2, 2020

Marathon Oil Permian, LLC (OGRID 372098)  
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**RE: Request for time Extension to Spud Well**

Case No. 20561 R-20712 approved date July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

Deadline to commence drilling July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020

Applicant/Operator: Marathon Oil Permian, LLC

**Proposed Well:**

Ares 7 SB Fee Well No. 6H; API No. 30-015-PENDING

Dear Sir or Madam:

The following pertains to your request received by the Division on June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and to the requirements in the captioned hearing order. You have requested an extension of the deadline to commence drilling given by the Division in the captioned order.

As stated, you are requesting an extension to spud this well due to the impact of Covid – 19 and the Oil and Gas market conditions. There was no opposition in the captioned case. You are requesting an additional year in which to spud these wells. The spud date is now extended to **July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021**.

The requested additional year in which to commence drilling is hereby granted.

All other provisions of this order remain in full force and effect.

Sincerely,

ADRIENNE SANDOVAL  
Director  
AS/lrl

cc: Oil Conservation Division – Artesia District Office  
Case No. 20561