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Florene Davidson  
Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Case 14840

Dear Florene:

Enclosed for filing, on behalf of Mewbourne Oil Company, are an original and one copy of an application for compulsory pooling, *etc.*, together with a proposed advertisement. The advertisement has also been e-mailed to the Division. Please advertise the application for the May 24, 2012 Examiner hearing. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

  
James Bruce

Attorney for Mewbourne Oil Company

Parties Being Pooled

Mill Neck Associates  
Address unknown

BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY  
FOR A NON-STANDARD OIL SPACING AND  
PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING,  
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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Case No. 14840

APPLICATION

Mewbourne Oil Company applies for an order (i) approving a non-standard oil spacing and proration unit in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 3, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and (ii) pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the non-standard unit, and in support thereof, states:

1. Applicant is an interest owner in the S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 3, and has the right to drill a well thereon.
2. Applicant has drilled its Sharps 3 Fed. Com. Well No. 2 to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation. Applicant seeks to dedicate the S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 3 to the well to form a non-standard 160 acre oil spacing and proration unit (project area) for all pools or formations developed on 40 acre spacing within that vertical extent. The well is a horizontal well, with a surface location in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and a terminus in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , of Section 3.
3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 3 for the purposes set forth herein.
4. Although applicant attempted to obtain voluntary agreements from all mineral interest owners to participate in the drilling of the well or to otherwise commit their interests to the well, certain interest owners have failed or refused to join in dedicating their interests.

Therefore, applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interest owners in the S½S½ of Section 3, pursuant to NMSA 1978 §§70-2-17, 18.

5. Approval of the non-standard unit and the pooling of all mineral interests underlying the S½S½ of Section 3 will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.

**WHEREFORE**, applicant requests that, after notice and hearing, the Division enter its order:

- A. Approving a non-standard oil spacing and proration unit (project area) in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the S½S½ of Section 3;
- B. Pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the S½S½ of Section 3;
- C. Designating applicant as operator of the well;
- D. Considering the cost of drilling and completing the well, and allocating the cost among the well's working interest owners;
- E. Approving actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure; and
- F. Setting a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the well.

Respectfully submitted,



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PROPOSED ADVERTISEMENT

Case No. 14840 :

*Application of Mewbourne Oil Company for approval of a non-standard oil spacing and proration unit and compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.* Mewbourne Oil Company seeks an order approving a 160-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit (project area) in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the S/2S/2 of Section 3, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, NMPM. Applicant further seeks the pooling of all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the S/2S/2 of Section 3 to form a non-standard 160 acre oil spacing and proration unit (project area) for all pools or formations developed on 40 acre spacing within that vertical extent. The unit will be dedicated to the Sharps 3 Fed. Com. Well No. 2, a horizontal well with a surface location in the SE/4SE/4, and a terminus in the SW/4SW/4, of Section 3. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well. The unit is located approximately 18 miles east-southeast of Lakewood, New Mexico.

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