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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

Case No. 14,977

**RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR A CONTINUANCE**

Mewbourne Oil Company ("Mewbourne") requests that the Division deny the motion for a continuance filed by Pavlos Panagopolous ("Panagopolous"). In support thereof, Mewbourne states:

1. In this case Mewbourne seeks an order approving a 160-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the W/2E/2 of Section 35, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, and pooling the non-standard unit. The case is currently scheduled for hearing on May 2nd.

2. Panagopolous has requested a continuance to the May 16th hearing.

3. Mewbourne opposes the continuance, for the following reasons:

(a) This case was originally scheduled for hearing on April 18th, but was continued for two weeks by Mewbourne at Panagopolous' request.

(b) Mewbourne has a drilling schedule it must meet, and a further continuance will interfere with this schedule.

(c) Mewbourne is pooling Panagopolous because of severe title defects affecting his interest. Regardless of the pooling, his interest must be placed in suspense pending title curative action.

(d) Mewbourne has pooled Panagopolous twice already in this section (Order Nos. R-13580 and R-13624), and Mewbourne has explained the title issues to Panagopolous. Nothing will be gained by either party by a further continuance.

(e) Panagopolous' attorney can seek a continuance of his other case.

WHEREFORE, Mewbourne requests that the motion for a continuance be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



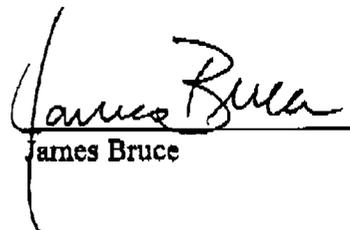
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing pleading was served upon the following counsel of record this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2013 by facsimile transmission and U.S. Mail:

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