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

Dear Florene:

Enclosed for filing, on behalf of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P., 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 set this matter for the May 29, 2014 Examiner hearing. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Attorney for Devon Energy Production Company, L.P.

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## PERSONS BEING NOTIFIED

Don Angle, deceased

Gladys Angle, deceased

Richard Jackson, Trustee

## PROPOSED ADVERTISEMENT

Case No. 15149:

Application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. for a non-standard oil spacing and proration unit and compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order approving a 160-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit (project area) in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the N/2N/2 of Section 23, Township 19 South, Range 31 East, NMPM. Applicant further seeks the pooling of all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the N/2N/2 of Section 23 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 is to be dedicated to the Antares 23 Fed. Com. Well No. 1H, a horizontal well with a surface location in the NW/4NW/4, and a terminus in the NE/4NE/4, of Section 23. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well. The unit is located approximately 14 miles southeast of Loco Hills, New Mexico.

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BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. FOR A NON-STANDARD OIL SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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## **APPLICATION**

Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. applies for an order (i) approving a non-standard oil spacing and proration unit in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the N½N½ of Section 23, Township 19 South, Range 31 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 N½N½ of Section 23, and has the right to drill a well thereon.
- 2. Applicant has drilled its Antares 23 Fed. Com. Well No. 1H to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation. Applicant seeks to dedicate the N½N½ of Section 23 to the well to form a non-standard 160 acre oil spacing and proration unit (project area) in the Bone Spring formation for all pools developed on 40 acre spacing. The well is a horizontal well, with a surface location in the NW¼NW¼, and a terminus in the NE¼NE¼, of Section 23.
- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the N½N½ of Section 23 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 N½N½ of Section 23, pursuant to NMSA 1978 §§70-2-17, 18.

5. Approval of the non-standard unit, and the pooling of all mineral interests underlying the  $N\frac{1}{2}N\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 23, 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 N½N½ of Section 23;
- B. Pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the N½N½ of Section 23; and
- C. Designating applicant as operator of the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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