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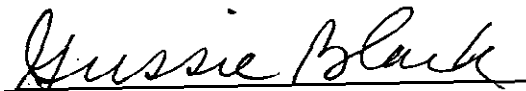
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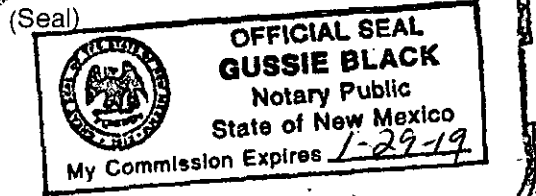
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Sworn and subscribed to before me this
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LEGAL NOTICE
May 26, 2016

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

The State of New Mexico through its Oil Conservation Division hereby gives notice pursuant to law and the Rules and Regulations of the Division of the following public hearing to be held at 8:15 A.M. on June 9, 2016 in the Oil Conservation Division Hearing Room at 1220 South St. Francis, Santa Fe, New Mexico, before an examiner duly appointed for the hearing. If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing, please contact: Florene Davidson at 505-476-3458 or through the New Mexico Relay Network, 1-800-659-1779 by May 30, 2016. Public documents including the agenda and minutes, can be provided in various accessible forms. Please contact Florene Davidson if a summary or other type of accessible form is needed.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO:
All named parties and persons
having any right, title, interest
or claim in the following cases
and notice to the public.

(NOTE: All land descriptions herein refer to the New Mexico Principal Meridian whether or not so stated.)

To: Chevron USA Inc., Linn Energy Holdings, LLC, Triad Energy Corporation, Kiska Oil Company, James R. Mallott Jr., his heirs or devisees, Jean F. Wigman Crowley, Trustee of the Jean F. Wigman Survivors Trust, Dated 3/31/1982, her heirs or devisees, Philip T. Nicholson, Et Al, Co-Trustees of the Pauline A. Nicholson Revocable Family Trust UTA Dated 9/26/2000, his heirs or devisees, Cara Lynn Gant, her heirs or devisees, Robert Iles, his heirs or devisees, Compound Properties, LLC, Alton C. White Jr., his heirs or devisees, Laura Hover Parks, her heirs or devisees, Carol Nantker, Trustee of the Carol Nantker Family Trust UTA Dated 9/26/2000, her heirs or devisees, Wade H. Hover and Elizabeth B. Hover, their heirs or devisees, Marathon Oil Company, Mark T. Hawkins, his heirs or devisees, Charles R. Qualla, his heirs or devisees, Deborah Masters Andrews, her heirs or devisees, William Wilson Masters, his heirs or devisees, Christian Martin Masters, his heirs or devisees, Mary Anne Miller Berlinger, her heirs or devisees, Heirs and Devisees of Julia Miller Burnham, Heirs and Devisees of A.C. Taylor and wife, Nettie Taylor, Heirs and Devisees of Zach Taylor and wife, Willie Taylor, Heirs and Devisees of Ella Belle Holman, Heirs and Devisees of Bessie Ruth Brechelsen, Heirs and Devisees Bennie Dick Taylor, Heirs and Devisees of Bette Taylor Kimbrough, Heirs and Devisees of Doris Mae Taylor, Heirs and Devisees of H.H. Balsh and Ruth E. Balsh, Heirs and Devisees of Frank E. Miller, Heirs and Devisees of Lillie Mae Yates, Heirs and Devisees of Constance E. Byers, Bob and Leita Bradshaw, the Heirs and Devisees of Bob and Leita Bradshaw, Heirs or devisees of E. A. Archer and wife, Heirs or devisees of James R. Mallott, Heirs or devisees of Charles Judson Alden and wife if any.

CASE No. 15499: Application of COG Operating LLC for a non-standard spacing and proration unit and compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order (1) creating a non-standard, 160-acre, more or less, spacing and proration unit comprised of the N/2 S/2 of Section 9, Township 17 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico; and (2) pooling all mineral interests in the Yezo formation from the top of the Paddock to the base of the Blinberry. Said non-standard unit is to be dedicated to applicant's proposed Branex Federal Com No. 15H Well, which will be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NW/4 SW/4 (Unit L) to a standard bottom hole location in the NE/4 SE/4 (Unit I) of Section 9. The completed interval for this well will remain within the 330-foot standard offset required by the rules. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of COG Operating LLC as operator of the well and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 1 mile south of Majmjar NM. NM. #30950

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION
DIVISION

Santa Fe, New Mexico

Exhibit No. 12

Submitted by: COG OPERATING LLC.

Hearing Date: March 29, 2016