

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

**APPLICATION OF XTO ENERGY INC. TO
RE-OPEN CASE NOS. 15832-15835 TO PROVIDE
SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

CASE NOS. 15832, 15833, 15834, And 15835

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APPLICATION

XTO Energy Inc., ("XTO") through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division to re-open Case Nos. 15832, 15833, 15834, and 15835 to provide supplemental notice pursuant to the request of the Division. In support of its application, XTO states:

1. Case Nos. 15832-15835 each requested 1) formation of 160-acre non-standard spacing units in the Purple Sage Wolfcamp Gas Pool (98220); 2) creation of 480-acre non-standard spacing and proration unit for compulsory pooling; and 3) pooling all uncommitted interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation, in acreage located in Township 23 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, as follows:

- A. Case No. 15832: Requesting creation of a non-standard 160-acre spacing unit in the Purple Sage Wolfcamp Gas Pool (98220) comprised of the NW/4 of Section 25 and creating a non-standard 480-acre non-standard spacing and proration unit comprised of the W/2 of Section 24 and the NW/4 of Section 25 for compulsory pooling;
- B. Case No. 15833: Requesting creation of a non-standard 160-acre spacing unit in the Purple Sage Wolfcamp Gas Pool (98220) comprised of the SW/4 of Section 25 and

creating 480-acre non-standard spacing and proration unit comprised of the SW/4 of Section 25 and the W/2 of Section 36;

C. Case No. 15834: Requesting creation of a non-standard 160-acre spacing unit in the Purple Sage Wolfcamp Gas Pool (98220) comprised of the NE/4 of Section 25 and creating a 480-acre non-standard spacing and proration unit comprised of the E/2 of Section 24 and the NE/4 of Section 25;

D. Case No. 15835: Requesting creation of a non-standard 160-acre spacing unit in the Purple Sage Wolfcamp Gas Pool (98220) comprised of the SE/4 of Section 25 and creating a non-standard 480-acre non-standard spacing and proration unit comprised of the SE/4 of Section 25 and the E/2 of Section 36.

All spacing units were compulsory pooled and dedicated to six initial wells.

2. Cases 15832-15835 were consolidated and presented for hearing on October 26, 2017. The Division took all cases under advisement.

3. Due to XTO's request for formation of non-standard 160-acre spacing units in the Purple Sage Pool, the Division subsequently required additional notice to the mineral estate owners in areas excluded from the proration unit. *See* NMAC 19.15.4.12(A)(3).

4. XTO therefore requests that Case Nos. 15832-15835 be re-opened and set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on January 11, 2018, for the limited purpose of accepting additional evidence of notification.

Respectfully submitted,

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CASE NO. 15832, 15833, 15834, 15835 (re-opened): **Application of XTO Energy Inc. to Re-Open Case Nos. 15832, 15833, 15834, and 15835 to Provide Supplemental Notice, Eddy County, New Mexico.** Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks to re-open Case Nos. 15832-15835 to provide supplemental notice pursuant to Division instruction. Each case originally sought 1) formation of a non-standard 160-acre spacing unit in the Purple Sage Pool; 2) formation of a 480-acre non-standard spacing unit for compulsory pooling; and 3) compulsory pooling. All acreage is located in Sections 24, 25, and 36, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. Said area is located approximately 19 miles southeast of Carlsbad, New Mexico.