

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

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**IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED
BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:**

**APPLICATION OF HUDSON OIL COMPANY OF
TEXAS, WILLIAM A. HUDSON, AND EDWARD
R. HUDSON FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

Case No. 13,598

MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

Ard Oil, Ltd. and Ard Energy, Ltd. (collectively, "Ard") move the Division for a two week continuance of this matter. In support thereof, Ard states:

1. Hudson Oil Company of Texas, William A. Hudson, II, and Edward R. Hudson, Jr. (collectively, the "Hudsons") seek an order pooling all mineral interests from the base of the San Andres formation to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the N½ of Section 12, Township 17 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M., and naming Hudson Oil Company of Texas as operator of the proposed Francotte Federal Well No. 1.
2. Ard has subpoenaed William A. Hudson, II, Edward R. Hudson, Jr., and E. Randall Hudson, III (a principal in Hudson Oil Company of Texas) to appear and testify at the hearing in this matter. Applicants have moved to quash the subpoenas, but no ruling has been made by the Division on the subpoenas.
3. Counsel for the Hudsons has informed the undersigned that applicants intend to proceed to hearing this week (at the May 11th Examiner hearing).
4. Ard requests a continuance for the following reasons:

(a) The undersigned has been unable to get in touch with his clients over the last 5 days, and thus has not been able to prepare for hearing;

(b) The undersigned is representing clients in two other contested matters at the May 11th hearing (Case No. 13,690/Pride Energy Company, and Case No. 13,707/Yates Petroleum Corporation), and thus has limited time to prepare for an additional contested matter;

(c) There are, at present, four contested matters on the May 11th docket (Case Nos. 13,690, 13,705, 13,707, and the present case). Ard estimates that the present case will consume a half day of testimony and argument, and thus the entire docket cannot be heard on May 11th; and

(d) There is a chance that this matter will be settled among the parties.

WHEREFORE, Ard requests that this matter be continued to the May 25th docket.

Respectfully submitted,



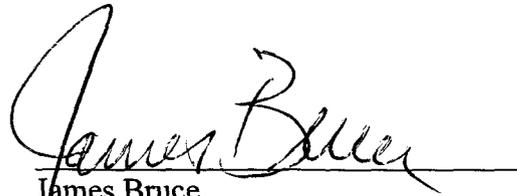
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing pleading was served upon the following counsel of record this 9th day of May, 2006 by facsimile transmission:

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