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Via Fax and Hand Delivery

Florene Davidson Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 Case 13732

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, together with a proposed advertisement. The advertisement has also been e-mailed to the Division. Please set this matter for the June 22, 2006 Examiner hearing. Thank you.

A pre-hearing statement is also enclosed.

Very truly yours,

James Bruce

Attorney for Devon Energy Production Company, L.P.

BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGING MAY 24 AM 10 14 PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. <u>/3732</u>

APPLICATION

Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. applies for an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the W½ of Section 22, Township 19 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support thereof, states:

- 1. Applicant is an interest owner in the W½ of Section 22, and has the right to drill a well thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill its Arenoso "22" Fed. Com. Well No. 1, at an orthodox location in the SE¼SW¼ of Section 22, to a depth sufficient to test the Morrow formation, and seeks to dedicate the following acreage to the well:
 - (a) the SE½SW¼ to form a standard 40 acre oil spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 40 acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated West Lusk-Yates Pool, Undesignated Hackberry-Delaware Pool, and Undesignated Hackberry-Bone Spring Pool;
 - (b) the SW½ to form a standard 160 acre oil or gas spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 160 acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated Lusk-Strawn Pool; and

- (c) the W½ to form a standard 320 acre gas spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 320 acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated West Lusk-Morrow Gas Pool.
- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the W½ of Section 22 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 W½ of Section 22, pursuant to NMSA 1978 §70-2-17.
- 5. The pooling of all mineral interests underlying the W½ of Section 22 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. Pooling all mineral interests in the W½ of Section 22, from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation;
- B. Designating applicant as operator of the well;
- C. Considering the cost of drilling and completing the well, and allocating the cost among the well's working interest owners;
- D. Approving actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure; and
- E. Setting a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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PROPOSED ADVERTISEMENT

Case No. 13732 : Application of Devon Energy Production Company. L.P. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the following described acreage in Section 22, Township 19 South, Range 31 East, NMPM, and in the following manner: The W/2 to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated West Lusk-Morrow Gas Pool; the SW/4 to form a standard 160-acre oil or gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated Lusk-Strawn Gas Pool; and the SE/4SW/4 to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations or pools developed on 40-acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated West Lusk-Yates Pool, Undesignated Hackberry-Delaware Pool, and Undesignated Hackberry-Bone Spring Pool. The units are to be dedicated to the Arenoso "22" Fed. Com. Well No. 1, to be drilled at an orthodox location in the SE/4SW/4 of Section 22. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well. The units are located approximately 14 miles south-southeast of Loco Hills. New Mexico.