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

APPLICATION OF THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR AN ORDER REQUIRING TEMPO ENERGY, INC TO PLUG ONE WELL AND ORDERING A FORFEITURE OF APPLICABLE FINANCIAL ASSURANCE IN EVENT OF OPERATOR'S NON-COMPLIANCE; LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**CASE NO. 13711** 

### PRE-HEARING STATEMENT for the OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

#### A. Parties and Attorneys:

Applicant

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division

Attorney

David K. Brooks

Respondents:

Tempo Energy, Inc.

(No appearance)

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The Travelers Indemnity Company

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Peterson Petroleum Company

(No appearance)

Joe D. Peterson (No appearance)

### B. Statement of the Case:

The Division seeks an order requiring Tempo Energy, Inc. to plug one well in Lea County, and, in event of non-compliance, forfeiting a \$50,000 surety bond issued by The Travelers Indemnity Company. Travelers contends that Tempo is not the operator of the



well, and that Peterson Petroleum or Joe D. Peterson is the operator. If the Commission finds for Travelers on these issues, then the Division seeks and order requiring Peterson Petroleum and/or Peterson to plug the well.

C. Witnesses for Applicant:

Chris Williams, district supervisor, District I or Gary Wink, oil and gas inspector, District I

Joe D. Peterson (if he can be located)

D. Time to Present Case:

30 minutes

E. Procedural Matters:

None

F. Exhibits

Attached; Exhibit list attached as Attachment A.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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## ATTACHMENT "A" to PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

Exhibit No.	Description
1	Inactive Well List - Tempo Energy Inc. (OGRID No. 22212)
2	Well File - San Simon State Well No. 6 (API No. 30-025-29839)
3	Oil and Gas Lease dtd 6/1/1977 - State to HNG Oil Company
4	Assignment dtd 9/1/1977 - HNG Oil Company to HNG Oil Company and Northern Natural Gas Company
5	Assignment dtd 10/1/1987 - Enron Oil & Gas Company, et al to Enron Oil & Gas Company
6	Notification of this case dtd 8/25/2006, together with return receipts.
7	Farmout agreement dtd 1/6/1985 - HNG Oil Company to Joe D. Peterson
8	Amendment of the foregoing, dtd 4/3/1985, executed by HNG Oil Company
9	Copy of the foregoing, dtd 4/3/1985, executed by Inter North, Inc.
10	Consent to assignment of farmout from Joe D. Peterson to V-F Petroleum, Inc., dtd 4/23/1985
11	Copy of the foregoing, executed by InterNorth, Inc.
12	Consent to assignment of farmout from V-F Petroleum, Inc. to Joe D. Peterson, limited to the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 4-22S-35E, dtd 11/13/1985
13	Blanket Plugging Bond dtd 5/31/1985, executed by Tempo Energy, Inc and The Travelers Indemnity Company