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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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Re: ***Parallel Petroleum Corporation Applications
OCD Case Nos. 13963 and 13964***

Enclosed for filing is an original and one copy of Opal Norris' *Pre-Hearing Statement* for each of the above-referenced matters. Please file the original and return a file-marked copy to me in the enclosed, self-addressed, stamped envelope. Thank you for your kind assistance in this matter.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours,

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**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF PARALLEL PETROLEUM CORPORATION
CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

CASE NO. 13963

OPAL NORRIS PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

Comes now Opal Norris, by and through her attorneys, Sanders, Bruin, Coll & Worley, P. A. (Kelly Mack Cassels) and states for the record:

I. Position Summary

Opal Norris, as the surviving Joint Tenant of George Rex Norris, is the owner in fee simple absolute of 40% of the mineral estate underlying:

Township 15 South, Range 25 East, N.M.P.M.:

Section 8: N/2SW/4 and S/2NW/4;

Chaves County, New Mexico.

George Rex Norris and Opal Norris leased this mineral estate to the Applicant, Parallel Petroleum Corporation, by *Oil & Gas Lease* May 5, 2006 and recorded in the Chaves County Clerk's Records on May 23, 2006 at Book 552, Page 1302. Said Lease contained adequate provisions authorizing the pooling of the leasehold estate granted therein with other lands for the production of oil or gas so long as the Units pooled do not exceed the standard proration units fixed by the Oil Conservation Division. Opal Norris does not find the 320 acre unit sought by Applicant herein covering the N/2 of said Section 8, from the surface of the earth to the base of the Wolfcamp formation to be violative of this authority. Therefore, Opal Norris is not opposed to the Application.

As Opal Norris has granted the Applicant the authority to so pool its leasehold estate and as she has not opposed this Application, there is no basis upon which to charge any penalty against her share of any eventual production from the proposed well.

II. Witness Names

Opal Norris does not intend to attend the hearing on this matter and will therefor not present any witnesses at said hearing.

III. Presentation Time

Opal Norris does not intend to attend the hearing on this matter and will therefor not present any case at said hearing.

IV. Procedural Issues

Opal Norris is not aware of any procedural issues in need of resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

SANDERS, BRUIN, COLL & WORLEY, P.A.

By: _____

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I certify that on the 30th day of July, 2007, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was mailed to:

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