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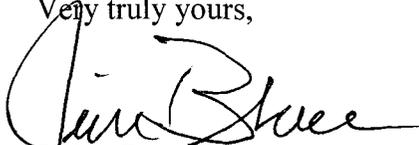
Case 14115

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

Dear Florene:

Enclosed for filing, on behalf of T.H. McElvain Oil & Gas Limited Partnership, 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 May 1, 2008 Examiner hearing. Thank you.

Very truly yours,



James Bruce

Attorney for Synergy Operating, LLC

PARTIES BEING POOLED

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3401 East 30th Street
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BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO CONSERVATION DIVISION

**APPLICATION OF T.H. MCELVAIN OIL
& GAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP FOR
COMPULSORY POOLING, SAN JUAN
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

Case No. 14115

APPLICATION

T.H. McElvain Oil & Gas Limited Partnership applies for an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Fruitland Coal formation underlying Lots 1-4 and the S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ (the N $\frac{1}{2}$) of Section 1, Township 29 North, Range 13 West, N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico, and in support thereof, states:

1. Applicant is an interest owner in the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 1, and has the right to drill a well thereon.
2. Applicant proposes to drill the Hutchinson Well No. 2, at an orthodox location in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 1, to a depth sufficient to test the Fruitland Coal formation, and seeks to dedicate the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 1 to the well to form a 318.40 acre gas spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 320 acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool.
3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 1 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 N $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 1, pursuant to NMSA 1978 §70-2-17.

5. The pooling of all mineral interests underlying the N½ of Section 1 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 N½ of Section 1, from the surface to the base of the Fruitland Coal formation;
- B. Designating McElvain Oil & Gas Properties, Inc. 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. 11416: **Application of T.H. McElvain Oil & Gas Limited Partnership for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico.** Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Fruitland Coal formation underlying Lots 1-4 and the S/2N/2 (the N/2) of Section 1, Township 29 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, to form a 318.40-acre gas spacing and proration unit for all pools or formations developed on 320 acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool. The unit is to be dedicated to the Hutchinson Well No. 2, to be located at an orthodox location in the SE/4NW/4 of Section 1. 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 McElvain Oil & Gas Properties, Inc. as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well. The unit is located approximately 5 miles northeast of Farmington, New Mexico.

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