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

Dear Florene:

Enclosed are an original and one copy of an <u>amended</u> application for compulsory pooling, together with a proposed advertisement, filed on behalf of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. Please re-set this matter for the November 20, 2003 Examiner hearing. Thank you.

The proposed advertisement is also on the enclosed disk.

Wery truly yours,

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Attorney for Devon Energy Production Company, L.P.

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BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION CONSERVATION DIVISION DIVISION DIVISION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 13132

## AMENDED APPLICATION

Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. applies for an order pooling all mineral interests in the Morrow formation underlying Lots 1, 2, S%NE%, and SE% (the E% equivalent) of Section 6, Township 23 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support thereof, states:

- 1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the E% of Section 6, and has the right to drill a well thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill the Joell Well No. 2, at an orthodox gas well location 1330 feet from the north and east lines of Section 6, to a depth sufficient to test the entire Morrow formation (approximately 12,000 feet subsurface), and seeks to dedicate the E½ of Section 6 to the well to form a standard 319.49 acre gas spacing and proration unit as to the Morrow formation (East Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool).
- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the E% of Section 6 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 E½ of Section 6,

pursuant to NMSA 1978 §70-2-17.

- 5. The Morrow formation underlying the E% of Section 6 is divided into three zones, with different sets of ownership in each zone. In addition, a portion of the Morrow formation is subject to an operating agreement, and a portion is not. Applicant requests pooling of the lower portion of the Morrow formation, which is not subject to an operating agreement, and that the Division approve an allocation of costs and production between the three Morrow zones.
- 6. The pooling of all mineral interests underlying the E% of Section 6, as set forth above, 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 E½ of Section 6 in 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 thereof and production therefrom among the well's working interest owners in the three separate Morrow zones;
- D. Approving actual operating charges and supervision costs, together with a provision adjusting the rates as provided in the COPAS accounting procedure; and
- E. Setting a penalty 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

Application Devon Case 13132 (Readvertised): of Production Company, L.P. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Morrow formation underlying Lots 1, 2, S%NE%, and SE% (the E% equivalent) of Section 6, Township 23 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, to form a standard 319.49-acre gas spacing and proration unit in the East Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool. The unit is to be dedicated to the Joell Well No. 2, to be located at an orthodox gas well location in the SW4NE% of Section 6. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well, the allocation of the cost thereof and production therefrom in the three separate Morrow zones underlying the well unit, actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well, and a charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well. The unit is located approximately 6 miles south of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

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