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

## IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING **CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:**

CASE NO. 14421

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APPLICATION OF CONOCOPHILLIPS COMPANY FOR AMENDMENT OF DIVISION ORDER NO. R-2403, AS AMENDED, TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED INJECTION PRESSURE IN ITS MCA UNIT AREA, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### **PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

This Pre-Hearing Statement is submitted by Holland & Hart, LLP on behalf of Conocol

Company as required by Oil Conservation Rule 19.15.14.1204 B NMAC.

## **APPEARANCES OF PARTIES**

APPLICANT

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### STATEMENT OF CASE

ConocoPhillips Company seeks amendment of Division Order No. R-2403, as amended, to increase the authorized injection pressure for water injection to 2150 psi in its Maljamar Cooperative Agreement (MCA) Unit which encompasses portions of Sections 14 to 23 and 25 to 35 of Township 17 South, Range 32 East; and portions of Sections 30 Township 17 South, Range 33 East; N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. The case was previously presented to Division Examiners and continued to enable ConocoPhillips an opportunity to respond to comments presented at the hearing from the Bureau of Land Management. The case is scheduled to be re-opened on April 1, 2010 at which time ConocoPhillips will present engineering testimony in response to the Bureau of Land Management comments.

#### **PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

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#### WITNESSES

(Name and expertise) Grant Backus **Reservoir Engineer** 

Approx. 15 min.

**EXHIBITS** 

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# **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

None at this time.

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