

**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:**

**APPLICATION OF CIMAREX ENERGY CO. FOR  
APPROVAL OF A NON-STANDARD OIL SPACING  
AND PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY  
POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**Case No. 14,509**

**PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by applicant as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

**APPEARANCES**

**APPLICANT**

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**OPPONENT**

**OPPONENT'S ATTORNEY**

**STATEMENT OF THE CASE**

**APPLICANT**

Cimarex Energy Co. seeks an order approving a 160-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit (project area) in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the S/2S/2 of Section 15, Township 19 South, Range 32 East, NMPM. Applicant further seeks the pooling of all mineral interests (i) from the surface to the top of the Bone Spring formation underlying the SE/4SE/4 of Section 15 to form a standard 40 acre oil spacing and proration unit, and (ii) the Bone Spring formation underlying the S/2S/2 of Section 15 to form a non-standard 160 acre oil spacing and proration unit (project area). The units are to be dedicated to the East Lusk 15 Fed. Well No. 1, a horizontal well with a surface location in the SE/4SE/4, and a terminus in the SW/4SW/4, of

WV 7/19/10

Section 15. 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 Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well.

OPPONENT

**PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

APPLICANT

<u>WITNESSES</u>	<u>EST. TIME</u>	<u>EXHIBITS</u>
Mike Wallace (landman)	15 min.	Approx. 4
Lee Catalano (geologist)	15 min.	Approx. 3

IF THIS MATTER IS UNCONTESTED IT MAY BE SUBMITTED BY AFFIDAVIT.

OPPONENT

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**PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

Respectfully submitted,



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