BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING AND APPROVAL OF TWO NON-STANDARD GAS SPACING AND PRORATION UNITS, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

No. 12755 5

APPLICATION

Mewbourne Oil Company applies for an order pooling all mineral interests from 500 feet below the top of the San Andres formation to the base of the Morrow formation underlying Lots 1-4 and the E½W½ (the W½ equivalent) of Section 18, Township 19 South, Range 28 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and for approval of two non-standard gas spacing and proration units, and in support thereof, states:

- 1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the W_{2} of Section 18, and has the right to drill a well thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill its Remington "18" St. Com. Well No. 2, at an orthodox well location in the SE¼SW¼ of the section (Unit N), to a depth sufficient to test the Morrow formation, and seeks to dedicate the following acreage to the well:
 - (a) Lots 3, 4, and the E½SW¼ (the SW¼) of Section 18 to form a non-standard 166.12 acre gas spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 160 acre spacing within that vertical extent; and
 - (b) Lots 1-4 and the E½W½ (the W½) of Section 18 to form a non-standard 332.48 acre gas spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 320 acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated West

Millman-Wolfcamp Gas Pool, Millman-Strawn Gas Pool, and Undesignated South Millman-Morrow Gas Pool.

- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the W% of Section 18 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 W½ of Section 18, pursuant to NMSA 1978 §70-2-17.
- 5. The pooling of all mineral interests underlying the W% of Section 18 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 W½ of Section 18 from 500 feet below the top of the San Andres formation to the base of 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 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 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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