

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 OCEAN ENERGY,  
INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

No. 12960

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by Ocean Energy, Inc.  
as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES

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OPPONENT

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STATEMENT OF THE CASE

APPLICANT

Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to 200 feet below the top of the Mississippian formation, except the Wolfcamp formation, underlying the W $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 23, Township 14 South, Range 37 East, NMPM. The well units are to be dedicated to applicant's Brickyard "23" Well No. 1, drilled at a location 660 feet from the south line and 1980 feet from the west line of Section 23. 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 applicant as operator of the well, and a charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well.

OPPONENT

