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HAND DELIVERED

Dear Florene:

Enclosed for filing are an original and two (2) copies of an application for compulsory pooling, on behalf of Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L.P. Please set this matter for the June 27, 1990 Examiner hearing.

Thank you.

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Sincerely,

HINKLE, COX, EATON, COFFIELD & HENSLEY

James Bruce

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BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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APPLICATION OF SANTA FE ENERGY OPERATING PARTNERS, L.P. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

No. 10001

APPLICATION

Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L.P. hereby makes application for an order pooling all interests from 5000 feet below the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the $E^{\frac{1}{2}}$ of Section 20, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support thereof states:

- 1. Applicant is an interest owner and has the right to drill a well in the E_2 of said Section 20, from 5000 feet below the surface to the base of the Morrow formation.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill its Muskegan St. Com. Well No. 1 in the E_2^{1} of Section 20, at an orthodox location 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of the Section, to a depth sufficient to test the Morrow formation (approximately 10,900 feet), and seeks to dedicate to the well the E_2^{1} of Section 20, from 5000 feet below the surface to the base of the Morrow formation, for all pools or formations spaced on 320 acres.
- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to join all other mineral or leasehold interest owners in the $E_2^{\frac{1}{2}}$ of Section 20 for the purposes set forth herein.
- 4. Although Applicant attempted to obtain voluntary agreements from all mineral or leasehold 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 acreage. Therefore, Applicant

seeks an order pooling all mineral and leasehold interest owners underlying the $E_2^{\frac{1}{2}}$ of Section 20 pursuant to N.M. Stat. Ann. § 70-2-17 (1987 Repl.).

- 5. Applicant requests the Division to consider the cost of drilling and completing the well, the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision. Applicant requests that it be designated as operator of the well and that the Division set a penalty of 200% for the risk involved in drilling the well.
- 6. The pooling of all interests underlying the $E_2^{\frac{1}{2}}$ of Section 20, as described above, will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.
- 7. Applicant requests that this matter be heard at the June 27, 1990 Examiner hearing.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that the Division grant the relief requested above.

Dated

Respectfully submitted,

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