## BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

## APPLICATION OF MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY RO AMEND ORDER NO. R-21667 FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No.

## **APPLICATION**

Matador Production Company applies for an order amending Order no. R-21667, and in support thereof, states:

1. Order No. R-21667 pooled the Bone Spring formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2E/2 of Section 3 and the E/2E/2 of Section 10, Township 22 South, Range 32 East, N.M.P.M.

2. Applicant proposes to drill the Nina Cortell Fed. Com. Well No. 128H to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation, with a first take point in the SE/4SE/4 of Section 10 and a last take point in the NE/4NE/4 of Section 3.

3. Case No. 21796 was heard on April 8, 2021, and Order No. R-21667 was entered on April 20, 2021. Paragraph 19 of Order No. R-21667 requires the operator to commence the well within one year of the date of issuance. Paragraph 20 of Order No. R-21667 provides that the order will terminate if the well is not timely commenced, unless the operator "obtains an extension by an amending this Order for good cause shown."

4. Applicant requests another one year extension due to market conditions which have altered drilling schedules, the coronavirus situation, and the Prairie Chicken booming season which limits drilling activities on federal land at this time of year. Applicant still intends to drill the subject well. Thus good cause exists for Applicant's request for an extension.

Applicant requests an extension of the well commencement deadline to April 20,
2023.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that, after notice and hearing, the Division enter its order amending Order Nos. R-21667 to extend the well commencement deadline to April 20, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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