BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY TO AMEND ORDER NOS. R-21697, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case	No.	

APPLICATION

Matador Production Company applies for an order amending Order No. R-21697, and in support thereof states:

- 1. Order No. R-21697 pooled the Bone Spring formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the N/2S/2 of Section 15 and the N/2S/2 of Section 14, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill the Ted 1514 Fed. Com. Well No. 123H to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation. The well's first take point is in the NW/4SW/4 of Section 15 and its last take point in the NE/4SE/4 of Section 14. Order No. R-21697 designates Applicant as operator of the well.
- 3. This matter was heard on May 20, 2021, and Order No. R-21697 was entered on May 26, 2021. Paragraph 19 of the order requires the operator to commence the well within one year of the date of issuance. Paragraph 20 of the order provides that the order will terminate if the well is not timely commenced, unless the operator "obtains an extension by amending this Order for good cause shown."
- 4. Applicant requests a one year extension due to market conditions which have altered drilling schedules, and the coronavirus situation. In addition, the well unit is in a disputed federal Development Area being formed for drilling in this area, and that is a large part of the

reason applicant hasn't been able to drill yet. Applicant still intends to drill the subject well. Thus good cause exists for Applicant's request for an extension.

5. Applicant requests an extension of the well commencement deadline to May 26, 2023.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that, after notice and hearing, the Division enter its order amending Order No. R-21697 to extend the well commencement deadline to April 28, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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