BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF KAISER-FRANCIS OIL COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case	No.	

APPLICATION

Kaiser-Francis Oil Company applies for an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the SE/4 of Section 5 and the E/2 of Section 8, Township 24 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., and in support thereof, states:

- 1. Applicant is an interest owner in the SE/4 of Section 5 and the E/2 of Section 8, and has the right to drill a well or wells thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill the following wells to depths sufficient to test the Wolfcamp formation, and dedicate the SE/4 of Section 5 and the E/2 of Section 8, containing 480.00 acres, to the wells:
 - (a) The Bell Lake Unit South Well No. 417H, with a first take point in the NW/4SE/4 of Section 5 and a last take point in the SW/4SE/4 of Section 8; and
 - (b) The Bell Lake Unit South Well No. 418H, with a first take point in the NE/4SE/4 of Section 5 and a last take point in the SE/4SE/4 of Section 8.

The wells are in the Bell Lake; Wolfcamp, South Pool.

- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the SE/4 of Section 5 and the E/2 of Section 8 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 wells or to otherwise commit their interests to

the wells, certain interest owners have failed or refused to join in dedicating their interests.

Therefore, applicant seeks an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interest owners in the

Wolfcamp formation underlying the SE/4 of Section 5 and the E/2 of Section 8, pursuant to

NMSA 1978 §70-2-17.

5. The pooling all mineral interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the

SE/4 of Section 5 and the E/2 of Section 8 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 uncommitted mineral interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation

underlying the SE/4 of Section 5 and the E/2 of Section 8;

B. Designating applicant as operator of the wells;

C. Considering the cost of drilling, completing, and equipping the wells and

allocating the cost among the wells' 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 cost plus 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling, completing, and

equipping the wells in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the

wells.

Respectfully submitted,

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