STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF CHEVRON U.S.A. INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, AND NOTICE OF PARTIALLY OVERLAPPING UNIT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 23498

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. ("Chevron") submits this Pre-Hearing Statement for the above-referenced case pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES

APPLICANT

Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

ATTORNEY

Deana M. Bennett Earl E. DeBrine MODRALL, SPERLING, ROEHL, HARRIS & SISK, P.A. P. O. Box 2168 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103-2168 (505) 848-1800

OTHER PARTIES

ATTORNEY

None

STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT:

In Case No. 23498, Chevron seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interest owners within a 320-acre Bone Spring horizontal spacing unit underlying the E/2E/2 of Sections 18 and 19, Township 26 South, Range 33 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico.

The unit will be dedicated to the **SD 18 19 Federal Com 425H** and **SD 18 19 Federal Com 426H** wells, to be horizontally drilled. The completed interval for the **SD 18 19 Federal Com 425H** well is expected to be less than 330 feet from the adjoining tracts. Chevron intends to submit a non-standard location application for administrative approval. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the wells and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Chevron U.S.A Inc. as operator of the wells, a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the wells. Said area is located approximately 25 miles west of Jal, New Mexico.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT:

WITNESS	ESTIMATED TIME	EXHIBITS
Landman: Katie Halley	Approx. 10 minutes	Approx. 4
Geologist: Kimberle Davis	Approx. 10 minutes	Approx. 4

PROCEDURAL ISSUES

To date, no party has entered an appearance nor is there any expected opposition to this case and Chevron intends to present this case by affidavit.

Respectfully submitted,

MODRALL, SPERLING, ROEHL, HARRIS & SISK, P.A.

By: <u>/s/ Deana M. Bennett</u>

Deana M. Bennett Earl E. DeBrine Post Office Box 2168 500 Fourth Street NW, Suite 1000 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103-2168 Telephone: 505.848.1800 Deana.Bennett@modrall.com

District I 1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240 Phone:(575) 393-6161 Fax:(575) 393-0720

811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210 Phone:(575) 748-1283 Fax:(575) 748-9720

District III

1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410 Phone:(505) 334-6178 Fax:(505) 334-6170

District IV 1220 S. St Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505 Phone: (505) 476-3470 Fax: (505) 476-3462

State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. St Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505

QUESTIONS

Page 3 of 3

Action 210949

QUESTIONS

Operator:	OGRID:
CHEVRON U S A INC	4323
6301 Deauville Blvd	Action Number:
Midland, TX 79706	210949
	Action Type:
	[HEAR] Prehearing Statement (PREHEARING)

QUESTIONS

Testimony			
	Please assist us by provide the following information about your testimony.		
ſ	Number of witnesses	Not answered.	
I	Testimony time (in minutes)	Not answered.	