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

## APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 22159 ORDER NO. <u>R-21856</u>

## ORDER

This matter came before the Oil Conservation Division ("Division") Hearing Examiner for hearing on September 23, 2021. The Division finds and concludes that:

1. On August 10, 2021, Mewbourne Oil Company filed an application to compulsory pool uncommitted mineral interests underlying a spacing unit located in Sections 23 and 24, Township 20 South, Range 28 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico. The case was initially assigned to the hearing docket for September 9, 2021, and then continued to the September 23, 2021 docket.

2. The notice for the September 9, 2021 hearing, and the dockets for the September 9 and September 23 hearings, each of which were posted on the Division website and sent to parties on the Division service list, all contained incorrect Township and Range locations (Township 23 South, Range 26 East). The notice published by the applicant in the Carlsbad Current-Argus newspaper also contained the incorrect Township and Range locations.

3. Failure to comply with the notice requirements for a Division hearing is grounds for dismissing a case prior to hearing.

On September 23, 2021, the Division dismissed the application at hearing. **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT** the application is dismissed without prejudice.

William R. Brancard WILLIAM R. BRANCARD HEARING EXAMINER

Date: <u>September 24, 2021</u>