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

# APPLICATION FOR SURFACE COMMINGLING SUBMITTED BY DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, LP

**ORDER NO. PLC-732** 

#### **ORDER**

The Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("OCD"), having considered the application and the recommendation of the OCD Engineering Bureau, issues the following Order.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Devon Energy Production Company, LP ("Applicant") submitted a complete application to surface commingle and off-lease measure the oil and gas production ("Application") from the pools, leases, and wells identified in Exhibit A.
- 2. Applicant proposed a method to allocate the oil and gas production to the pools, leases, and wells to be commingled.
- 3. To the extent that ownership is identical, Applicant submitted a certification by a licensed attorney or qualified petroleum landman that the ownership in the pools, leases, and wells to be commingled is identical as defined in 19.15.12.7(B) NMAC.
- 4. To the extent that ownership is diverse, Applicant provided notice of the Application to all persons owning an interest in the oil and gas production to be commingled, including the owners of royalty and overriding royalty interests, regardless of whether they have a right or option to take their interests in kind, and those persons either submitted a written waiver or did not file an objection to the Application.
- 5. Applicant provided notice of the Application to the Bureau of Land Management ("BLM") or New Mexico State Land Office ("NMSLO"), as applicable.
- 6. Applicant certified the commingling of oil and gas production from the pools, leases, and wells will not in reasonable probability reduce the value of the oil and gas production to less than if it had remained segregated.
- 7. Applicant submitted or intends to submit one or more proposed communitization agreement(s) ("Proposed Agreement(s)") to the BLM or NMSLO, as applicable, identifying the leases to be consolidated into a single pooled area ("Pooled Area"), as described in Exhibit B.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

8. OCD has jurisdiction to issue this Order pursuant to the Oil and Gas Act, NMSA 1978, §§ 70-2-6, 70-2-11, 70-2-12, 70-2-16, and 70-2-17, and 19.15.12 NMAC.

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- 9. Applicant satisfied the notice requirements for the Application in accordance with 19.15.12.10(A)(2), (C)(4)(c), and (C)(4)(e) NMAC, as applicable.
- 10. Applicant's proposed method of allocation, as modified herein, complies with 19.15.12.10(B)(1) or (C)(1) NMAC, as applicable.
- 11. Commingling of oil and gas production from state, federal, or tribal leases shall not commence until approved by the BLM or NMSLO, as applicable, in accordance with 19.15.12.10(B)(3) and (C)(4)(h) NMAC.
- 12. By granting the Application with the conditions specified below, this Order prevents waste and protects correlative rights, public health, and the environment.

#### **ORDER**

- 1. Applicant is authorized to surface commingle and off-lease measure oil and gas production from the pools, leases, and wells identified in Exhibit A.
- 2. This Order supersedes Order CTB-953.
- 3. For each Pooled Area described in Exhibit B, Applicant shall submit a Proposed Agreement to the BLM or NMSLO, as applicable, prior to commencing oil and gas production. If Applicant fails to submit the Proposed Agreement, this Order shall terminate on the following day.
- 4. No later than sixty (60) days after the BLM or NMSLO approves or denies a Proposed Agreement, Applicant shall submit Form C-103 to OCD with a copy of the decision and a description of the approved lands, as applicable. If Applicant withdraws or the BLM or NMSLO denies a Proposed Agreement, this Order shall terminate on the date of such action, and Applicant shall cease commingling the production from the Pooled Area. If the BLM or NMSLO approves but modifies the Proposed Agreement(s), Applicant shall comply with the approved Agreement(s), and no later than sixty (60) days after such decision, Applicant shall submit a new surface commingle application to OCD to conform this Order with the approved Agreement(s). If OCD denies the new surface commingle application, this Order shall terminate on the date of such action.
- 5. Applicant shall allocate the oil and gas production to each lease within a Pooled Area in proportion to the acreage that each lease bears to the entire acreage of the Pooled Area described in Exhibit B.
- 6. The oil and gas production for each well identified in Exhibit A shall be separated and metered prior to commingling.
- 7. Applicant shall measure the commingled oil at a central tank battery described in Exhibit A in accordance with 19.15.18.15 NMAC or 19.15.23.8 NMAC.
- 8. Applicant shall measure the commingled gas at a central delivery point or central tank battery described in Exhibit A in accordance with 19.15.19.9 NMAC, provided however that if the gas is flared, and regardless of whether OCD has granted an exception pursuant to

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19.15.18.12(B) NMAC, Applicant shall report the gas in accordance with 19.15.18.12(F) NMAC.

- 9. Applicant shall calibrate the meters used to measure or allocate oil and gas production in accordance with 19.15.12.10(C)(2) NMAC.
- 10. If the commingling of oil and gas production from any pool, lease, or well reduces the value of the commingled oil and gas production to less than if it had remained segregated, no later than sixty (60) days after the decrease in value has occurred Applicant shall submit a new surface commingling application to OCD to amend this Order to remove the pool, lease, or well whose oil and gas production caused the decrease in value. If Applicant fails to submit a new application, this Order shall terminate on the following day, and if OCD denies the application, this Order shall terminate on the date of such action.
- 11. Applicant shall not commence commingling oil or gas production from state, federal, or tribal leases until approved by the BLM or NMSLO, as applicable.
- 12. OCD retains jurisdiction and reserves the right to modify or revoke this Order as it deems necessary to prevent waste or protect correlative rights, public health, or the environment.

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<b>DATE:</b> 6/11/2021	

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### **Exhibit A**

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**Operator: Devon Energy Production Company, LP (6137)** 

Central Tank Battery: Belloq 11 Central Tank Battery 1

Central Tank Battery Location (NMPM): Unit M, Section 11, Township 23 South, Range 31 East Gas Custody Transfer Meter Location (NMPM): Unit M, Section 11, Township 23 South, Range 31 East

#### **Pools**

Pool Name	Pool Code	
LIVINGSTON RIDGE; BONE SPRING	39350	
WC-015 G-08 S233102C; WOLFCAMP	98123	

#### Leases as defined in 19.15.12.7(C) NMAC

Leases as defined in 15.15.12.7 (c) NVIAC				
Lease	Location (N	МРМ)		
CA DC NIBANIBA 4 40202	W/2 E/2	Sec 11-T23S-R31E		
CA BS NMNM 140383	W/2 E/2	Sec 2-T23S-R31E		
CA BS NMNM 140384	W/2 W/2	Sec 11-T23S-R31E		
CA BS INIVINIVI 140384	W/2 W/2	Sec 2-T23S-R31E		
CA BS NMNM 140385	E/2 E/2	Sec 11-T23S-R31E		
CA BS INIVINIVI 140385	E/2 E/2	Sec 2-T23S-R31E		
CA BS NMNM 140070	E/2 E/2	Sec 10-T23S-R31E		
CA BS NIVINIVI 140070	E/2 E/2	Sec 3-T23S-R31E		
NMNM 404441	E/2 W/2	Sec 11-T23S-R31E		
NMNM 404441	E/2	Sec 11-T23S-R31E		
VO 3028	E/2	Sec 2-T23S-R31E		

#### Wells

Well API	Well Name	Location (NMPM)	<b>Pool Code</b>	Train
30-015-45277	Belloq 11 2 Fed State Com #231H	M-11-23S-31E	39350	
30-015-45276	Belloq 11 2 Fed State Com #223H	P-11-23S-31E	39350	
30-015-45278	Belloq 11 2 Fed State Com #234H	P-11-23S-31E	39350	
30-015-45275	Belloq 11 Fed #222H	M-11-23S-31E	39350	
30-015-45570	Aleutian 10 3 Fed Com #214H	P-10-23S-31E	39350	
30-015-46705	Belloq 11 2 Fed State Com #514H	P-11-23S-31E	39350	
30-015-46759	Belloq 11 2 Fed State Com #613H	O-11-23S-31E	98123	
30-015-46757	Belloq 11 2 Fed State Com #713H	O-11-23S-31E	98123	
30-015-46764	Belloq 11 2 Fed State Com #714H	P-11-23S-31E	98123	
30-015-46756	Belloq 11 2 Fed State Com #734H	P-11-23S-31E	98123	

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## **Exhibit B**

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**Operator: Devon Energy Production Company, LP (6137)** 

### **Pooled Areas**

Pooled Area	Location (NMPM)		Acres	Pooled Area ID
CA WC BLM	E/2 E/2	Sec 11-T23S-R31E Sec 2-T23S-R31E	639.71	Α
CA BS BLM	E/2	Sec 11-T23S-R31E	639.71	R
	E/2	Sec 2-T23S-R31E	033.71	

## **Leases Comprising Pooled Areas**

Lease	Location (NN	лРМ)	Acres	Pooled Area ID
NMNM 404441	E/2	Sec 11-T23S-R31E	320	Α
VO 3028	E/2	Sec 2-T23S-R31E	319.71	Α
NMNM 404441	E/2	Sec 11-T23S-R31E	320	В
VO 3028	E/2	Sec 2-T23S-R31E	319.71	В