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

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. FOR A TEMPORARY EXCEPTION TO DIVISION RULE 104.C.(2)(c), LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by applicant as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES

APPLICANT

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Attention: Richard Winchester (405) 228-4415

OPPONENT

OPPONENT'S ATTORNEY

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

APPLICANT

Applicant seeks an order granting an exception to Division Rule 104.C.(2)(c) to allow two operators in the Morrow formation in Lots 1-8 of Section 1, Township 21 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, to form a non-standard 310.08-acre gas spacing and proration unit in the West Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool. The unit will be simultaneously dedicated to the existing State R. Well No. 1, operated by ConocoPhillips Company, located in Lot 6 of Section 1, and the proposed State R Well No. 4, to be operated by applicant, located in Lot 2 of Section 1. The exception will allow applicant to operate the State R Well No. 4, and to produce and sell hydrocarbons, until costs plus a penalty have been recovered under the applicable operating agreement.

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PROPOSED EVIDENCE

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<u>WITNESSES</u> Richard Winchester (landman)

EST. TIME 10 Min. <u>EXHIBITS</u>

- (a) Land plat
- (b) Correspondence
- (c) Support letter
- (d) Notice affidavit

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<u>WITNESSES</u>

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EXHIBITS

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Respectfully submitted,

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