

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

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

**APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE OPERATING, INC.
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING AND AN UNORTHODOX
OIL WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

CASE 13288

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

**Chesapeake Operating, Inc. submits this pre-hearing statement as required by the
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.**

APPEARANCES OF THE PARTIES

APPLICANT

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OPPONENT

none

ATTORNEY

STATEMENT OF THE CASE**APPLICANT:**

Chesapeake Operating, Inc., in accordance with Section 70-1-17.C seeks a compulsory pooling order pooling all mineral interest from the surface to the base of the Wolfcamp formation underlying a standard 40-acre spacing unit consisting of the SE/4NW/4 of Section 27, T12S, R38E, Lea County, New Mexico for its Burrus "27" Well No. 9 to be drilled as an unorthodox oil well location in Unit F of this section and the designation of Chesapeake Operating Inc. as the operator plus the standard provisions of the Division's compulsory pooling order including a 200% risk factor penalty in accordance with Commission Order R-11992, effective August 15, 2003.


The proposed unorthodox location is 1473 feet FNL and 2306 feet FWL of this section and based upon 3-D seismic interpretation demonstrates that this location is necessary to produce oil that cannot be accessed at the closest standard location.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE**APPLICANT**

WITNESSES	EST. TIME	EST. EXHIBITS
Mike Braun, consulting landman (by affidavit or in person)	15-20 min	about 10
David Godsey, geologist	15 min	about 3

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

None


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