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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ENERGEN RESOURCES CORPORATION FOR TO EXPAND WATERFLOOD PROJECT IN THE LANGLIE MATTIX SEVEN RIVERS QUEEN GRAYBURG POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

**CASE NO. 13,170** 

# PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Pre-Hearing Statement is submitted by Miller Stratvert, P.A. on behalf of Energen Resources Corporation, as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

# **APPEARANCES**

# APPLICANT

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#### OPPONENT

None to date/unknown

# OTHER PARTY'S ATTORNEY

## OTHER PARTY

None to date/unknown

#### STATEMENT OF THE CASE

# **APPLICANT**

Applicant seeks an Order authorizing the expansion of Applicant's waterflood project and the injection of water into the Langlie Lynn Queen Unit Wells No. 9 and No. 3. Applicant's current water flood operations are authorized under Administrative Order No. WFX-780.

#### PROPOSED EVIDENCE

WITNESSES:	Est. Time	No. of Exhibits
Ken Gray (Landman)	15	2
Ken Smith (Petroleum Engineer)	20	7
Dave Cromwell (Geologist)	15	4

## PROCEDURAL MATTERS

The two injection wells that are the subject of the Application in Case No. 13170 were included in a previous application for administrative approval of Applicants proposed expansion of its Langlie Lynn Queen Unit waterflood project in 2000. In the course of administrative review of that earlier application, objections were received from two operators and the matter was set for examiner hearing in 2001 as Case No. 12614. Prior to the hearing, the two wells were eliminated from the proposed expansion and the matter was re-noticed and re-advertised. The matter proceeded to hearing on March 8, 2001, and because no objections were received to the re-advertised case, the Applicant requested the matter be taken under advisement and be submitted for administrative approval. The Division subsequently issued Administrative Order No. WFX-780 approving of the expanded injection operation on December 19, 2001.

In this case, the Applicant proposes that the waterflood project once again be expanded to include the two wells that were eliminated from the earlier Application under Case No. 12614, the Langlie Lynn Queen Unit No. 9 and the Langlie Lynn Queen Unit No. 3. The inclusion of these two wells in the earlier case triggered objections from two operators, and for this reason, the Applicant elected to proceed directly to an Examiner hearing rather than seeking administrative approval.

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