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Case 13335

## Hand Delivered

Florene Davidson Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

# Dear Florene:

Enclosed are an original and one copy of an application for compulsory pooling, together with a proposed advertisement, filed on behalf of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. Please set this matter for the September 2, 2004 Examiner hearing. Thank you.

The proposed advertisement is also on the enclosed disk.

Veryotruly yours,

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#### BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

2004 AUG 10 PM 4 13 Case No. 3335

## APPLICATION

Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. applies for an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the W% of Section 24, Township 22 South, Range 25 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support thereof, states:

- 1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the W½ of Section 24, and has the right to drill a well thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill its Filaree 24N Fed. Com. Well No. 1, at an orthodox location in the SE%SW% of Section 24, and seeks to dedicate the W% of Section 24 to the well to form a standard 320 acre gas spacing and proration unit for all pools or formations developed on 320 spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated McKittrick Canyon-Upper Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Undesignated East McKittrick Hills-Atoka Gas Pool, and Undesignated Happy Valley-Morrow Gas Pool.
- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the W $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 24 for the purposes set forth herein.
- 4. Although applicant attempted to obtain voluntary agreements from all mineral interest owners to participate in the drilling of the well or to otherwise commit their interests to the well, certain interest owners have failed or refused to join in dedicating their interests. Therefore, applicant seeks an order

pooling all mineral interest owners in the W% of Section 24, pursuant to NMSA 1978 §70-2-17.

5. The pooling of all mineral interests underlying the W% of Section 24 will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, applicant requests that, after notice and hearing,
the Division enter its order:

- A. Pooling all mineral interests in the W½ of Section 24 from the base of the surface to the base of the Morrow formation;
- B. Designating applicant as operator of the well;
- C. Considering the cost of drilling and completing the well, and allocating the cost thereof among the well's working interest owners;
- D. Approving actual operating charges and supervision costs, together with a provision adjusting the rates as provided in the COPAS accounting procedure; and
- E. Setting a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### PROPOSED ADVERTISEMENT

Case 1533%: Application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the W% of Section 24, Township 22 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for all pools or formations developed on 320-acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated McKittrick Canyon-Upper Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Undesignated East McKittrick Hills-Atoka Gas Pool, and Undesignated Happy Valley-Morrow Gas Pool. The unit is to be dedicated to the Filaree 24N Fed. Com. Well No. 1, to be located at an orthodox location in the SE%SW% of Section 24. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well. The unit is located approximately 8 miles west-southwest of Carlsbad, New Mexico.