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

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

APPLICATION OF NEARBURG EXPLORATION COMPANY, L.L.C. FOR A NON-STANDARD OIL SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT, UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATIONS, AND COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 14,995

## PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

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

#### APPEARANCES

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**OPPONENT** 

OPPONENT'S ATTORNEY

#### STATEMENT OF THE CASE

### <u>APPLICANT</u>

Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the top 200 feet of the Mississippian formation underlying the NW/4NW/4 of Section 20, Township 17 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for all pools or formations developed on 40-acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the South Midway-Strawn Pool. The unit is to be dedicated to the West Lovington 20 Well No. 1, to be drilled at an orthodox oil well location in the NW/4NW/4 of Section 20. 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 Nearburg Producing Company as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well.

# **OPPONENT**

### PROPOSED EVIDENCE

## **APPLICANT**

WITNESSES	EST. TIME	<u>EXHIBITS</u>
Ken Dixon (landman)	15 min.	Approx. 5
Bill Elton (geologist)	20 min.	Approx. 4

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#### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

-None-

Respectfully submitted,

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