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COUNTY OF LEA

I, Daniel Russell, Publisher of the Hobbs News-Sun, a newspaper published at Hobbs, New Mexico, solemnly swear that the clipping attached hereto was published in the regular and entire issue of said newspaper, and not a supplement thereof for a period of 1 issue(s).

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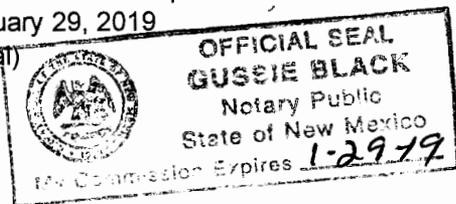
Sworn and subscribed to before me this
31st day of March 2016.



Business Manager

My commission expires
January 29, 2019

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LEGAL NOTICE
March 31, 2016

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

The State of New Mexico through its Oil Conservation Division hereby gives notice pursuant to law and the Rules and Regulations of the Division of the following public hearing to be held at 8:15 A.M. on April 14, 2016, in the Oil Conservation Division Hearing Room at 1220 South St. Francis, Santa Fe, New Mexico, before an examiner duly appointed for the hearing. If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing, please contact: Florene Davidson at 505-476-3458 or through the New Mexico Relay Network, 1-800-659-1779 by April 4, 2016. Public documents including the agenda and minutes, can be provided in various accessible forms. Please contact Florene Davidson if a summary or other type of accessible form is needed.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO:
All named parties and persons
having any right, title, interest
or claim in the following cases
and notice to the public.

(NOTE: All land descriptions herein refer to the New Mexico Principal Meridian whether or not so stated.)

To: **Magnum Hunter Production, Inc. (Cimarex Energy Co.), Nadel & Gussman Capitan, LLC.**

Case 15480: Application of Matador Production Company for a non-standard spacing and proration unit, approval of an unorthodox location, and compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order (1) creating a non-standard, 240-acre, more or less, spacing and proration unit comprised of the E2 SE/4 of Section 22 and the W/2 W/2 of Section 27, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico (2) approving an unorthodox well location; and (3) pooling all uncommitted mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying this acreage. Said non-standard unit is to be dedicated to applicant's proposed **Mallon 27 Federal Com No. #H Well**, which will be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of Section 27 to a standard bottom hole location in the NE/4 SW/4 (Unit K) of Section 22. The completed interval is unorthodox pursuant to the Special Rules for the Lea; Bone Spring Pool (37570) because it will not remain within 150 feet from the quarter-quarter section. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Matador Production Company as operator of the well and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 25 miles southwest of Hobbs, New Mexico.
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**BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION
DIVISION**

Santa Fe, New Mexico
Exhibit No. 16

Submitted by: **Matador Production Co.**