

**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 CONSIDERING:**

**APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL PERMIAN  
LLC FOR A NON-STANDARD SPACING AND  
PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**Case No. 16321**

**APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL PERMIAN  
LLC FOR A NON-STANDARD SPACING AND  
PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**Case No. 16322**

**PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by Ascent Energy, LLC ("Ascent") as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

**APPEARANCES**

**APPLICANT**

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## STATEMENT OF THE CASES

### APPLICANT

Marathon Oil Permian LLC ("Marathon") seeks orders pooling 320-acre horizontal well units in the Bone Spring and Wolfcamp formations comprised of the W/2W/2 of Section 28 and the W/2W/2 of Section 33, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM.

### OPPONENT

Ascent filed counter-applications in Case Nos. 16232 and 16233. Ascent requests that Marathon's applications be denied, and that Ascent's applications be approved.

## PROPOSED EVIDENCE

### APPLICANT

#### WITNESSES

#### EST. TIME

#### EXHIBITS

### OPPONENT

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#### EXHIBITS

Lee Zink  
(landman)

15 min.

Approx. 10

William Metz  
(geologist)

20 min.

Approx. 10

Alex Yancey  
(engineer)

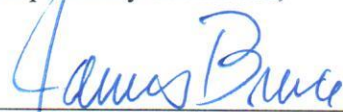
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## PROCEDURAL MATTERS

The above-referenced cases should be consolidated for hearing.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

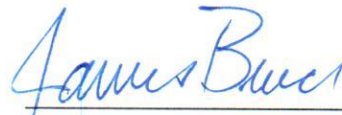
I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing pleading was served upon the following counsel of record this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018 via e-mail:

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