## State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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## RE: Request for Time Extension to Commence drilling

Case No. 15776, R-14467 approved date October 5, 2017

Deadline to commence drilling October 31, 2018, Ordering Paragraph No. (4)

Applicant/Operator: OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership

**Proposed Well:** 

Turkey Track 8 7 State Well No. 21H, API No. 30-015-44141

Dear Sir or Madam:

The following pertains to your request received by the Division on September 18, 2018 and to the requirements in the captioned hearing order.

You have requested an extension of the deadline to commence drilling given by the Division in the captioned order.

As stated in your request, the operator has drilled and completed three of the four proposed wells in the consolidated cases and rig scheduling delays have prevented the captioned well from spud. There was no opposition in the captioned case. You are requesting an additional year in which to commence drilling.

Ordering Paragraph No. (4) of the captioned order is hereby amended, changing "October 31, 2018" to "October 31, 2019". The requested additional year in which to commence drilling is hereby granted.

All other provisions of this order remain in full force and effect.

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Sincerely,

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Director

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September 18, 2018

## VIA HAND DELIVERY

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Re: Pooling Order R-14467 – Request for additional time to drill initial dedicated well

Dear Ms. Riley:

Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph (5) of Division Order R-14467, Oxy USA WTP Limited Partnership ("Oxy") requests a one-year extension of time in which to drill the initial well in the pooled spacing and proration unit.

Order R-14467 was issued by the Division in Case No. 15776 on October 5, 2017, following a hearing on consolidated Case Nos. 15776 through 15779. These consolidated cases involved four Bone Spring spacing units for four proposed laydown wells on state lands in Irregular Section 7 and Section 8, Township 19 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. No one appeared in opposition to Oxy's request to pool these Bone Spring spacing units, including the N/2 N/2 equivalent of Section 7, and the N/2 N/2 of Section 8 to be dedicated to Oxy's proposed Turkey Track 8 7 State Well No. 21H (API No. 30-015-44141).

Three of the four wells proposed for the pooled Bone Spring spacing units in Irregular Section 7 and Section 8 have been drilled and completed under pooling Orders R-14468, R-14469 and R-14470. However, the drilling of the Turkey Track 8 7 State Well No. 21H well in the N/2 N/2 spacing unit has been delayed due to rig scheduling issues. Oxy anticipates being able to drill this well in the second quarter of 2019.

For these reasons, Oxy respectfully requests a one-year extension of time to commence drilling a Bone Spring well in the N/2 N/2 spacing and proration unit pooled under Order R-14467.

Very truly yours

Michael H. Feldewert