# 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 ASCENT ENERGY, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 16483

APPLICATION OF ASCENT ENERGY, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 16484

APPLICATION OF ASCENT ENERGY, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 16485

APPLICATION OF ASCENT ENERGY, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 16486

### PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

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

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#### STATEMENT OF THE CASES

#### **APPLICANT**

Case No. 16483: Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a 320-acre horizontal spacing unit in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the E/2W/2 of Section 28 and the E/2W/2 of Section 33, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM. The unit will be dedicated to the Gavilon Fed. Com. Well No. 505H and the Gavilon Fed. Com. Well No. 603H, horizontal Bone Spring wells with first take points in the SE/4SW/4 of Section 33 and last take points in the NE/4NW/4 of Section 28.

Case No. 16484: Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a 320-acre horizontal spacing unit in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the W/2E/2 of Section 28 and the W/2E/2 of Section 33, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM. The unit will be dedicated to the Gavilon Fed. Com. Well No. 506H and the Gavilon Fed. Com. Well No. 604H, horizontal Bone Spring wells with first take points in the SW/4SE/4 of Section 33 and last take points in the NW/4NE/4 of Section 28.

Case No. 16485: Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a 320-acre horizontal spacing unit in the Wolfcamp formation comprised of the E/2W/2 of Section 28 and the E/2W/2 of Section 33, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM. The unit will be dedicated to the Gavilon Fed. Com. Well No. 705H and the Gavilon Fed. Com. Well No. 706H, horizontal Wolfcamp wells with first take points in the SE/4SW/4 of Section 33 and last take points in the NE/4NW/4 of Section 28.

Case No. 16486: Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a 320-acre horizontal spacing unit in the Wolfcamp formation comprised of the W/2E/2 of Section 28 and the W/2E/2 of Section 33, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM. The unit will be dedicated to the Gavilon Fed. Com. Well No. 707H and the Gavilon Fed. Com. Well No. 708H, horizontal Wolfcamp wells with first take points in the SW/4SE/4 of Section 33 and last take points in the NW/4NE/4 of Section 28.

Also to be considered in each case will be the cost of drilling and completing the wells and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the wells, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the wells.

#### **OPPONENT**

#### OTHER PARTY

#### PROPOSED EVIDENCE

## **APPLICANT**

WITNESSES	EST. TIME	<b>EXHIBITS</b>
Lee Zink (landman)	20 min.	Approx. 10
William Metz (geologist)	25 min.	Approx. 10
Alex Yancey (engineer)	20 min.	Approx. 5

## **OPPONENT**

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# **OTHER PARTY**

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#### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Ascent requests that these matters be consolidated for hearing, together with Case Nos. 16409 and 16410.

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 \_\_\_\_\_ day of October, 2018 via e-mail:

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