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

APPLICATION OF CHISHOLM ENERGY OPERATING, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 20/8/

## **APPLICATION**

Chisholm Energy Operating, LLC ("Chisholm") (OGRID No. 327137), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of N.M. Stat. Ann. § 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Wolfcamp formation in the 640-acre horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 of Section 21 and the E/2 of Section 28, Township 23 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. In support of its application, Chisholm states:

- 1. Chisholm Energy Operating, LLC is a working interest owner in the proposed horizontal spacing unit and has the right to drill thereon.
- 2. Chisholm seeks to dedicate the above-referenced horizontal spacing unit to two initial wells: its proposed Cletus 28-21 Fed Com WCB No. 1H Well and its proposed Cletus 28-21 Fed Com WCA No. 2H Well. Both wells will be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the SE/4SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 28 to bottom hole location in the NW/4NE/4 (Unit B) of Section 21.
- 3. The Division's district office has placed these wells in the Purple Sage Wolfcamp Gas Pool (Pool Code 98220), which is subject to Special Rules pursuant to Order R-14262. The

completed interval for each well will comply with the setback requirements set forth in the Special Rules.

- 4. Chisholm has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the development of these lands from all of the working interest owners in the subject spacing unit.
- 5. The pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste, and will protect correlative rights.
- 6. In order to permit Chisholm to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, all uncommitted interests in this horizontal spacing unit should be pooled and Chisholm Energy Operating LLC should be designated the operator of the proposed horizontal wells and spacing unit.

WHEREFORE, Chisholm requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on December 6, 2018, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted interests in the horizontal spacing unit;
- B. Authorizing two initial wells;
- C. Designating Chisholm Energy Operating LLC operator of this spacing unit and the horizontal wells to be drilled thereon;
- D. Authorizing Chisholm to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the wells;
- E. Approving the actual operating charges and costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures; and

F. Imposing a 200% penalty for the risk assumed by Chisholm in drilling and completing the wells against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of the wells.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CASE** \_\_\_\_:

Application of Chisholm Energy Operating LLC for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order pooling all uncommitted interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a 640-acre horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 of Section 21 and the E/2 of Section 28, Township 23 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. The above-referenced unit will be dedicated to two initial wells: its proposed Cletus 28-21 Fed Com WCB No. 1H Well and its proposed Cletus 28-21 Fed Com WCA No. 2H Well. Both wells will be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the SE/4SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 28 to bottom hole location in the NW/4NE/4 (Unit B) of Section B. The completed interval for each well will comply with the setback requirements set forth in the Special Rules. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well, the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Chisholm Energy Operating LLC as operator, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling and completing each well. Said area is located approximately 20 miles southwest of Eunice, New Mexico.