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

APPLICATIONS OF CHISHOLM ENERGY OPERATING, LLC FOR A NON-STANDARD OIL SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 16115 (de novo) Case No. 16116 (de novo) Order No. 14876

# **PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

This Pre-hearing Statement is submitted by Premier Oil & Gas, Inc. ("Premier") by and through its undersigned counsel, Ernest L. Padilla, PADILLA LAW FIRM, P.A., as required by the Oil Conservation Commission.

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APPEARANCES OF PARTIES	
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OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY:	
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The parties disagree on the orientation of the horizontal wells. Premier favors an East/West orientation. Chisholm proposes to orient its proposed wells North/South. Premier's position can be summarized as follows:

- E/W wells will encounter better regional stress orientation in the target formation;
- E/W wells will have a greater ultimate recovery;
- Cost of drilling E/W wells will be less than N/S wells;
- E/W oriented wells lessen potential damage to the City of Carlsbad water resources;
- Existing infrastructure east of the proposed wells limits damage to surrounding surface and ecology, and limit environmental degradation of the area.

# **PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

#### **APPLICANT**

WITNESSES EST. TIME EXHIBITS

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Premier may call the following witnesses:

Ken Jones, President 15 min. Topographical maps

Company Data re Orientation

**Economic Analysis** 

Dan Jones, Vice President 20 min. Statistical analysis of area oil

and gas development

Jerry Furguson 20 min. Geologic mapping

Geologist

Eglee Lopez 20 min. Log analysis

Petrophysicist

Brian Davis 20 min. Log analysis

Geologist

# **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

None at this time.

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I caused a copy of this Pre-Hearing Statement to be served upon, Adam G. Rankin, Holland & Hart, PO Box 2208 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2208, by electronic mail <a href="mailto:agrankin@hollandhart.com">agrankin@hollandhart.com</a>, on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

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