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

# APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL PERMIAN LLC FOR COMPUSLORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NOS. 20693, 20699, 20705, 20708, 20710

### MARATHON OIL PERMIAN LLC'S PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

Marathon Oil Permian LLC ("Marathon") submits this Pre-Hearing Statement for the above-referenced cases pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

#### **APPEARANCES**

#### **APPLICANT**

**ATTORNEY** 

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#### STATEMENT OF CASE

#### **APPLICANT:**

In Case No. 20693, Marathon seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a Wolfbone Pool underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2 E/2 of Section 32, Township 19 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the Mead 32 TB State 7H well, to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for the well will be orthodox. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Marathon as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well, and allowing a one year period between when the well is drilled and when the well is completed.

In Case No. 20699, Marathon seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a Wolfbone Pool underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Section 32, Township 19 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the Mead 32 TB State 8H well, to be horizontally drilled. The producing

area for the well will be orthodox. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Marathon as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well, and allowing a one year period between when the well is drilled and when the well is completed.

In Case No. 20705, Marathon seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a Bone Spring horizontal spacing unit underlying the W/2 E/2 of Section 32, Township 19 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the Mead 32 SB State 3H well, to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for the well will be orthodox. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Marathon as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well, and allowing a one year period between when the well is drilled and when the well is completed.

In Case No. 20708, Marathon seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a Bone Spring horizontal spacing unit underlying the E/2 E/2 of Section 32, Township 19 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the Mead 32 SB State 4H well, to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for the well will be orthodox. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Marathon as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well, and allowing a one year period between when the well is drilled and when the well is completed.

In Case No. 20710, Marathon seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a Wolfbone Pool underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the E/2 W/2 of Sections 29 and 32, Township 19 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the Mead 32 TB State 6H well, to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for the well will be orthodox. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Marathon as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well, and allowing a one year period between when the well is drilled and when the well is completed.

#### PROPOSED EVIDENCE

ESTIMATED TIME

**EXHIBITS** 

#### APPLICANT:

WITNESS

WIII		
Landman: Travis Prewett	Approx. 30 minutes	Approx. 8
Geologist: TBD	Approx. 30 minutes	Approx. 6

#### PROCEDURAL ISSUES

If there are no objections to these matters, Marathon intends to present them by affidavit.

Respectfully submitted,

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