## BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION EXAMINER HEARING MARCH 5, 2020

## **CASE No. 21091**

OMEGA 183533 1H

## LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



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

APPLICATION OF CATENA RESOURCES OPERATING, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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## COMPULSORY POOLING APPLICATION CHECKLIST (pdf)

## ALL INFORMATION IN THE APPLICATION MUST BE SUPPORTED BY SIGNED AFFIDAVITS

Case: 21091	APPLICANT'S RESPONSE			
Date March 5, 2020				
Applicant	Catena Resources Operating, LLC			
Designated Operator & OGRID (affiliation if applicable)	328127			
Applicant's Counsel:	Holland & Hart LLP			
	Application of Catena Resources Operating, LLC for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico	,r		
Entries of Appearance/Intervenors:	Marathon Oil Company			
Well Family	Omega 183533 #1H Well			
Formation/Pool				
Formation Name(s) or Vertical Extent:	Bone Spring formation			
Primary Product (Oil or Gas):	Oil			
Pooling this vertical extent:	Bone Spring formation			
Pool Names and Pool Codes:	Scharb; Bone Spring Pool (Pool Code 55610)			
Well Location Setback Rules:	Statewide horizontal well rules			
Spacing Unit Size:	280-acres			
Spacing Unit				
Type (Horizontal/Vertical)	Horizontal			
Size (Acres)	280-acres, more or less			
Building Blocks:	quarter sections			
Orientation:	North-South			
Description: TRS/County	W/2 NW/4 of Section 33, the W/2 W/2 of Section and the SW/4 SW/4 of Section 21, Township 18 So Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico			
Standard Horizontal Well Spacing Unit (Y/N), If No, describe	Yes			
Other Situations DELEGATION				
Depth Severance: Y/N. If yes, description	No			
Proximity Tracts: If yes, description	No			
Proximity Defining Well: if yes, description	N/A  BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Santa Fe, New Mexico	NC		
Applicant's Ownership in Each Tract	EXHIBIT C Exhibit No. A  Submitted by: Catena Resources Operating	7.     <i>(</i>		
Well(s)	Hearing Date: March 05, 2020  Case No. 21091	,,		

Name & API (if assigned), surface and bottom hole location,	EXHIBIT C-1 (C-102 plat)
footages, completion target, orientation, completion status	
(standard or non-standard) Well #1	Omega 183533 #1H Well (API No. 30-025-pending): SHL: 2450 FSL and 330 FWL (Unit L) of Section 33, Township 18 South, Range 35 East, BHL: 1220 FSL and 330 FWL (Unit M) of Section 21, Township 18 South, Range 35 East,
	Completion Target: Bone Spring at approx. 10240 feet TVD Well Orientation: South to North Completion Location expected to be: Standard
Horizontal Well First and Last Take Points	EXHIBIT C-2 (C-102 plat)
Completion Target (Formation, TVD and MD)	See above and Exhibit C
AFE Capex and Operating Costs	
Drilling Supervision/Month \$	\$8,000
Production Supervision/Month \$	\$800
Justification for Supervision Costs	Exhibit C
Requested Risk Charge	200%
Notice of Hearing	
Proposed Notice of Hearing	Exhibit B
Proof of Mailed Notice of Hearing (20 days before hearing)	Exhibit E
Proof of Published Notice of Hearing (10 days before hearing)	Exhibit F
Ownership Determination	
Land Ownership Schematic of the Spacing Unit	EXHIBIT C-2
Tract List (including lease numbers and owners)	EXHIBIT C-2
Pooled Parties (including ownership type)	EXHIBIT C-2
Unlocatable Parties to be Pooled	N/A
Ownership Depth Severance (including percentage above & bel	ov N/A
Joinder	
Sample Copy of Proposal Letter	EXHIBIT C-3
List of Interest Owners (ie Exhibit A of JOA)	EXHIBIT C-2
Chronology of Contact with Non-Joined Working Interests	EXHIBIT C-4
Overhead Rates In Proposal Letter	EXHIBIT C
Cost Estimate to Drill and Complete	EXHIBIT C-3
Cost Estimate to Equip Well	EXHIBIT C-3
Cost Estimate for Production Facilities	EXHIBIT C-3
Geology	ke lidnik a miliotek nimbes
Summary (including special considerations)	Exhibit D

Spacing Unit Schematic	Exhibit D, D-1
Gunbarrel/Lateral Trajectory Schematic	Exhibit D
Well Orientation (with rationale)	Exhibit D
Target Formation	Exhibit D, D-1, D-2
HSU Cross Section	Exhibit D, D-2, D-3
Depth Severance Discussion	N/A
Forms, Figures and Tables	
C-102	EXHIBIT C-1
Tracts	EXHIBIT C-2
Summary of Interests, Unit Recapitulation (Tracts)	EXHIBIT C-2
General Location Map (including basin)	Exhibit D-1
Well Bore Location Map	Exhibit D-2
Structure Contour Map - Subsea Depth	Exhibit D-2
Cross Section Location Map (including wells)	Exhibit D-2
Cross Section (including Landing Zone)	Exhibit D-3
Additional Information	
CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the information p	provided in this checklist is complete and accurate.
Printed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	Kaitlyn A. Lugk
Signed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	Smithell .
Date:	4-Mar-20

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

APPLICATION OF CATENA RESOURCES OPERATING, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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**APPLICATION** 

Catena Resources Operating, LLC ("Applicant") (OGRID No. 328127), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the

Bone Spring formation underlying a standard 280-acre, more or less, horizontal spacing unit

comprised of the W/2 NW/4 of Section 33, the W/2 W/2 of Section 28 and the SW/4 SW/4 of

Section 21, Township 18 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. In support

Applicant states:

1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the proposed horizontal spacing unit and

has the right to drill thereon.

2. Applicant seeks to initially dedicate the above-referenced spacing unit to the

proposed Omega 183533 1H Well to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NW/4

SW/4 (Unit L) of Section 33 to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 21.

The completed interval for the proposed well will comply with the statewide setback requirements

for horizontal oil wells.

3. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the

development of these lands from all interest owners in the subject spacing unit.

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- 4. The pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste, and will protect correlative rights.
- 5. In order to permit Applicant 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 Applicant should be designated the operator of the proposed well and horizontal spacing unit.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on March 5, 2020, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted interests in the horizontal spacing unit and approving the initial well thereon;
- B. Designating Applicant as operator of the horizontal spacing unit and the horizontal well to be drilled thereon;
- C. Authorizing Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, equipping, and completing the well;
- D. 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
- E. Imposing a 200% charge for the risk assumed by Applicant in drilling and completing the well against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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## AFFIDAVIT OF ROBERT SWANN

Robert Swann, of lawful age and being first duly sworn, declares as follows:

- 1. My name is Robert Swann, and I am the Land Manager with Catena Resources Operating, LLC ("Catena").
- 2. I have previously testified before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division as an expert witness in petroleum land matters. My credentials as a petroleum landman have been accepted by the Division and made a matter of record.
- 3. I am familiar with the application filed by Catena in this case and familiar with the status of the lands in the subject area.
- 4. None of the mineral owners to be pooled in this case have expressed opposition to this case proceeding by affidavit, so I do not expect any opposition at the hearing.
- 5. Catena is seeking an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a standard 280-acre, more or less, horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2 NW/4 of Section 33, the W/2 W/2 of Section 28, and the SW/4 SW/4 of Section 21, Township 18 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- 6. This standard horizontal spacing until will be dedicated to the proposed initial **Omega 183533 #1H Well** (API No. 30-25-pending) to be horizontally drilled from a surface

location in the NW/4 SW/4 (Unit L) of Section 33 to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 21.

- 7. The completed interval of the **Omega 183533 #1H Well** will comply with the statewide setback requirements for horizontal oil wells.
- 8. **Catena Exhibit C-1** is the draft Form C-102 for the well reflecting that the well is located in the Scharb; Bone Spring Pool (Pool Code 55610).
- 9. **Catena Exhibit C-2** identifies the tracts of land comprising the proposed horizontal well spacing unit, which includes fee lands only, and identifies the ownership interests by tract.
- 10. Catena has highlighted on **Exhibit C-2** the working interest owners that remain to be pooled in this proceeding. Catena also seeks to pool the overriding royalty interest owners and royalty interest owners identified on **Exhibit C-2**.
- 11. No ownership depth severances or unleased mineral interests exist within the proposed spacing unit.
- 12. **Catena Exhibit C-3** contains an example of the well proposal letters and AFEs provided to the working interest owners Catena is seeking to pool.
- 13. In addition to submitting these letters, Catena has undertaken good faith efforts to reach agreement with the interest owners that it is seeks to pool. **Catena Exhibit**C-4 contains a chronology of the contacts with the working interest owners that Catena seeks to pool. If Catena reaches an agreement with any of the proposed pool parties before the Division enters any order, I will let the Division know that Catena is no longer seeking to pool that party.
- 14. The costs reflected on each AFE are consistent with what Catena has incurred for drilling similar horizontal wells in the subject formation in this area.

- 15. Catena seeks approved overhead and administrative rates for the proposed wells at \$8,000 per month while drilling and \$800 per month while producing. These rates are consistent with what other operators are charging in this area for similar wells.
- 16. Catena has conducted a diligent search of county records and computer databases to locate addresses for the mineral owners it seeks to pool. I have provided the law firm of Holland & Hart LLP with these addresses and instructed that notice of this hearing be provided to the interest owners Catena seeks to pool.
- 17. Catena respectfully requests an expedited order in this case due to a lease expiration on **June 1, 2020** within the tracts to be pooled.
- 18. Catena Exhibits C-1 through C-4 were either prepared by me or compiled under my direction and supervision.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

ROBERT SWANN

STATE OF TEXAS	)
	)
COUNTY OF BEXAR	)

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of March 2020 by Robert Swann.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

NN.12,2023

OFFICIAL SEAL
Carla Garcia
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF NEW MEXICO
My Commission For Nov. 12, 2023

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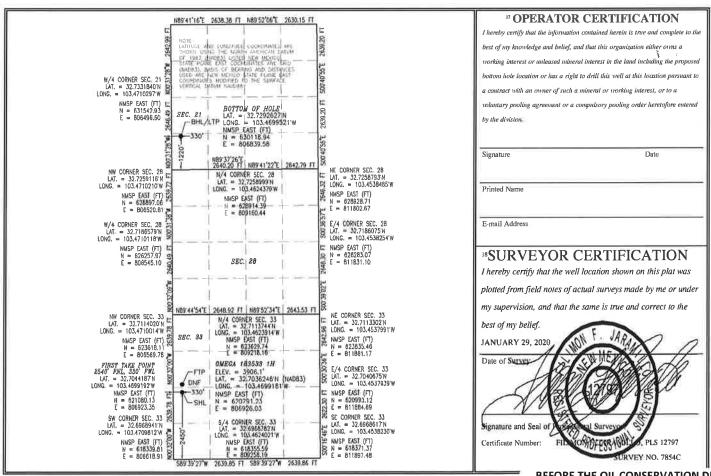
Form C-102 Revised August 1, 2011 Submit one copy to appropriate District Office

☐ AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

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No allowable will be assigned to this completion until all interests have been consolidated or a non-standard unit has been approved by the division.



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Santa Fe, New Mexico
Exhibit No. C1

Submitted by: Catena Resources Operating, LLC
Hearing Date: March 05, 2020

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## Catena Resources Operating, LLC, Omega 183533 1H Well 280 Acres Spacing Unit - W2NW4 of Section 33, W2W2 Section 28 and SW4SW4 **Section 28, 18S-35E CASE NO. 21091 Formation SWSW** Second Bone Spring **Formation** Second Bone Spring **Spacing Unit** Catena Resources Operating, LLC Unit Ownership Tracts W2NW4 3 **NWSW** Catena Resources Operating, LLC **Proposed Spacing Unit** Omega 183533 **SWSW** W2NW4 **Omega 189533 1H** Second Bone Spring BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Santa Fe, New Mexico Exhibit No. C2 Submitted by: Catena Resources Operating, LLC Hearing Date: March 05, 2020 Case No. 21091

COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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January 7, 2020

Via Certified Mail

Marathon Oil Company P.O. Box 2069 Houston, TX 77252 713-629-6600

Re:

Omega 183533 1H Well Proposal

**Bone Spring Formation** 

W2NW4 of Section 33, W2W2 Section 28 and SWSW Section 21, T18S, R35E

Lea County, New Mexico

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Catena Resources Operating, LLC ("Catena") as Operator hereby proposes to drill the following well to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation:

Well Name	SHL	BHL	Spacing Unit	Target TVD	Estimated TMD
Omega 183533 1H	FSL: 2450' Sec. 33	FSL: 1120' Sec. 21	W2NW4-Sec. 33, W2W2	10,240'	19,631'
_	FWL: 330' Sec. 33	FWL: 330' Sec. 21	Sec. 28 & SWSW-Sec. 21 of 18S-35E		

These proposed locations and target depths are subject to change depending on any surface or subsurface concerns encountered.

Regarding the above, enclosed for your further handling are our AFE's dated November 16, 2019 for the proposed wells. The AFE's represent an estimate of the costs that will be incurred to drill and complete the wells, but those electing to participate in the wells are responsible for their proportionate share of the actual costs incurred. In the event you elect to participate in the proposed wells, please execute the enclosed AFE's and return to me. We are happy to furnish you with a proposed Joint Operating Agreement upon request, should you be inclined to elect to participate. Please respond within 30 days of receiving this notice. If you do not wish to participate, Catena proposes to acquire your interest via term assignment subject to due diligence and title verification satisfactory to Catena.

Should you have any questions regarding the above, please email me at rswann@catenares.com or call me at (210) 775-6993.

Sincerely,

Catena Resources Operating, LLC



San Antonio, TX 78259

Suite 258

18402 US Hwy 281 N

Case No. 21091

Robert Swann

Land Manager

Signature:

## CATENA RESOURCES OPERATING – OMEGA WELL PROPOSAL CATENA – MARATHON DISCUSSION TIMELINE February 27, 2020

- December 18, 2019: Catena mails Omega proposed well, and email to Steve Virant and Travis Prewett of Marathon regarding joinder.
- December 18, 2019: Email correspondence with Jessica Gorman of Marathon regarding negotiations.
- December 19, 2019: Email correspondence with Steve Virant of Marathon regarding ongoing negotiations.
- January 7, 2020: Catena mails single well proposal/notices for the Omega well, additional email correspondence with Marathon regarding negotiations.
- January 13, 2020: Email correspondence with Steve Virant regarding spacing unit and ongoing negotiations.
- January 22, 2020: Continued email correspondence with Marathon.
- February 10, 2020: Telephone conference with Travis Prewett of Marathon regarding spacing unit and negotiations.
- February 11, 2020: Email to Marathon regarding Omega spacing unit.
- February 25, 2020: Follow up email to Marathon regarding Omega spacing unit.
- February 27: Ongoing email negotiations with Marathon.

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

APPLICATION OF CATENA RESOURCES OPERATING, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**CASE NO. 21091** 

**AFFIDAVIT OF VINCE SMITH** 

Vince Smith, of lawful age and being first duly sworn, declares as follows:

1. My name is Vince Smith, and I work for Catena Resources Operating, LLC

("Catena") as the Vice President of Geoscience.

2. I have previously testified before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division as an

expert witness in petroleum geology. My credentials as a petroleum geologist have been accepted

by the Division and made a matter of record.

3. I am familiar with the application filed by Catena in this case, and I have conducted

a geologic study of the Bone Spring formation underlying the subject acreage.

4. Catena Exhibit D-1 is a structure map for the Top of the Second Bone Spring Sand

interval that reflects the surrounding area in Lea County in relation to the spacing unit in this case

in Sections 21, 28, and 33. The Omega 183533 #1H Well is depicted with a dashed line, and I

have identified the first take point and the bottom hole location for the well. Existing producing

wells in the First, Second, and Third Bone Spring intervals and the Wolfcamp A interval are also

shown on this map. This structure map shows that the formation is gently dipping to the south-

southwest in this area. I do not observe any other faulting, pinch outs, or geologic impediments to

developing the targeted interval with horizontal wells.

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Santa Fe, New Mexico

- 5. Catena Exhibit D-2 identifies the four wells penetrating the targeted interval that I used to construct a stratigraphic cross-section from A to A'. I utilized these well logs because they penetrate the targeted interval, are of good quality, and have been subjected to a petrophysical analysis of the targeted interval. In my opinion, these well logs are representative of the geology in the area.
- 6. Catena Exhibit D-3 is a stratigraphic cross section using the representative wells depicted on Exhibit D-2. It contains a gamma ray, resistivity, porosity, and calculated mineralogy curves. The landing zone for the Omega 183533 #1H Well is labeled on the left side of the exhibit with a grey arrow. The cross-section demonstrates that the targeted interval extends across the proposed spacing unit.
- 7. In my opinion, the standup orientation of the well is the preferred orientation for horizontal well development in the targeted interval in this area. This standup orientation will efficiently and effectively develop the subject acreage.
- 8. Based on my geologic study, the targeted interval underlying the subject area is suitable for development by horizontal wells and the tracts comprising the proposed spacing unit will contribute more-or-less equally to the production from the wellbores.
- 9. In my opinion, the granting of Catena's application will be in the best interest of conservation, the prevention of waste, and protection of correlative rights.
- 10. Catena Exhibits D-1 through D-3 were either prepared by me or compiled under my direction and supervision.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

VINCE SMITH

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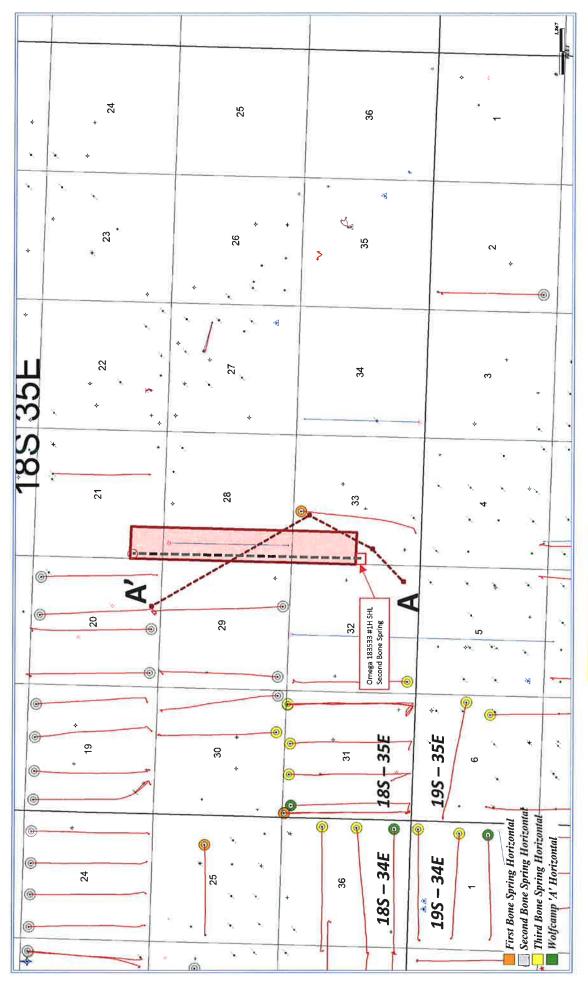
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## Omega 183533 #1H

Locator Map



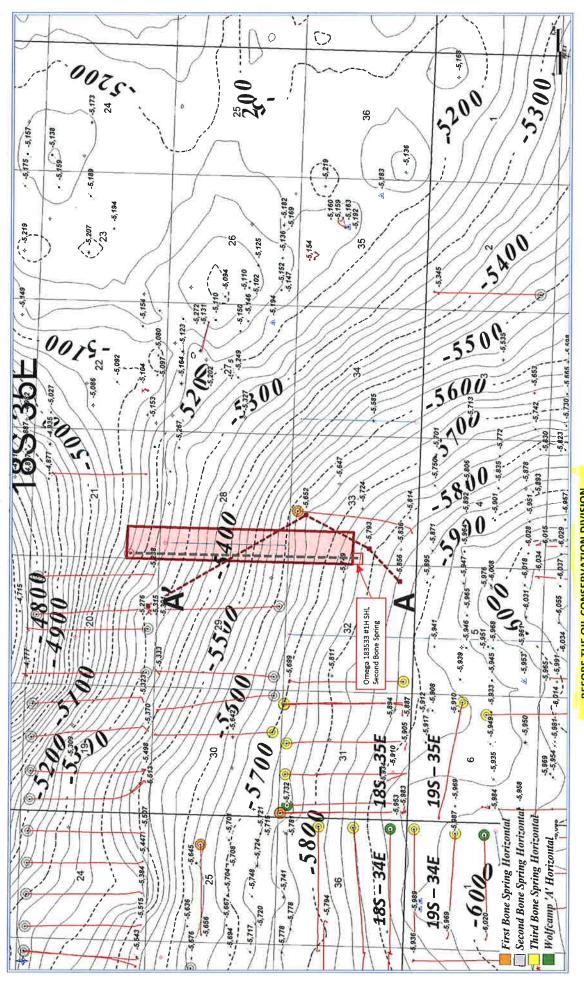


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Exhibit No. D1
Submitted by: Catena Resources Operating, LLC
Hearing Date: March 05, 2020
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# Second Bone Spring Sand

Subsea Structure

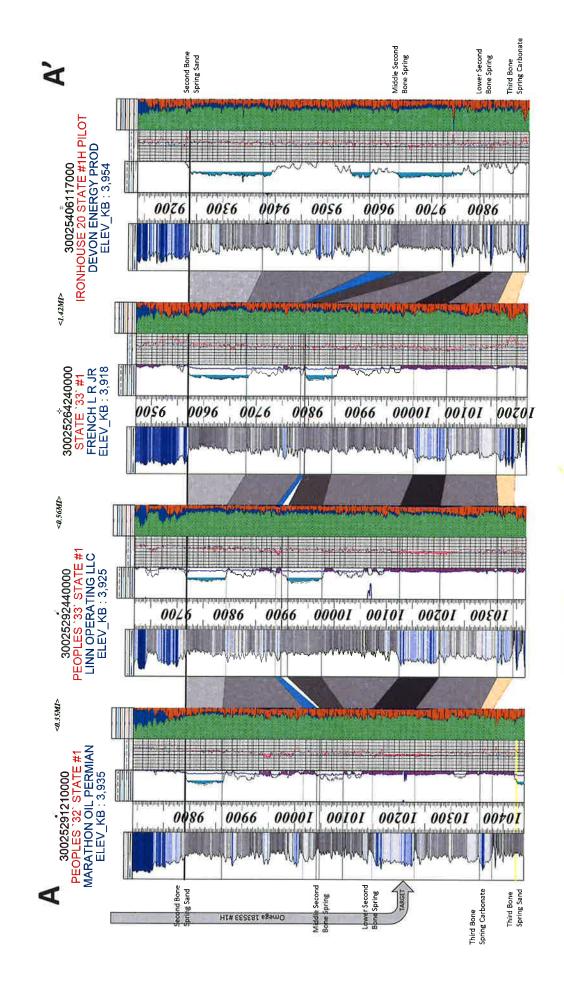




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Submitted by: Catena Resources Operating, LLC
Hearing Date: March 05, 2020
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# Second Bone Spring Sand Datum

**Cross Section** 





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Santa Fe, New Mexico
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Submitted by: Catena Resources Operating, LLC
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## STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF CATENA RESOURCES OPERATING, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**CASE NO. 21091** 

## **AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO	)
	) ss.
COUNTY OF SANTA FE	)

Kaitlyn A. Luck, attorney in fact and authorized representative of Catena Resources Operating, LLC the Applicant herein, being first duly sworn, upon oath, states that the above-referenced Application has been provided under the notice letters and proof of receipts attached hereto.

Kaitlyn A. Luck

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 4th day of March, 2020 by Kaitlyn A.

Luck.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

Nov. 12, 2023



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Santa Fe, New Mexico
Exhibit No. E

Submitted by: Catena Resources Operating, LLC
Hearing Date: March 05, 2020

Case No. 21091



Michael H. Feldewert Phone (505) 988-4421 Fax (505) 983-6043 mfeldewert@hollandhart.com

February 14, 2020

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL
CERTIFIED RECEIPT REQUESTED
Thomaston, LLC
1050 17th Street, Suite 2500
Denver, Colorado 80265

Re: Application of Catena Resources Operating, LLC for Compulsory Pooling, Lea

County, New Mexico.
Omega 183533 1H Well

Ladies & Gentlemen:

This letter is to advise you that Catena Resources Operating, LLC, has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. A hearing has been requested before a Division Examiner on March 5, 2020, and the status of the hearing can be monitored through the Division's website at <a href="http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/ocd/">http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/ocd/</a>. Division hearings will commence at 8:15 a.m. in Porter Hall at the Oil Conservation Division's Santa Fe Offices located at 1220 South Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505. You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging the matter at a later date.

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If you have any questions about this matter, please contact Robert Swann at (210) 775-6993 or at rswann@catenares.com.

Michael H. Feldewert

ATTORNEY FOR CATENA RESOURCES OPERATING,

LLC



Michael H. Feldewert Phone (505) 988-4421 Fax (505) 983-6043 mfeldewert@hollandhart.com

February 10, 2020

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL
CERTIFIED RECEIPT REQUESTED
Marathon Oil Company
P.O. Box 2069
Houston, Texas 77252

Re: Application of Catena Resources Operating, LLC for Compulsory Pooling, Lea

County, New Mexico. Omega 183533 1H Well

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Sincerely

Michael H. Feldewert

ATTORNEY FOR CATENA RESOURCES OPERATING,

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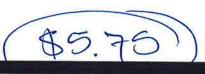
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> Beginning with the issue dated February 21, 2020 and ending with the issue dated February 21, 2020.

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Business Manager

My commission expires

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LEGAL NOTICE FEBRUARY 21, 2020

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

The State of New Mexico, Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Oil Conservation Division ("Division") hereby gives notice that the Division will hold a public hearing before a hearing examiner on March 5, 2020, 8:15 a.m., in Porter Hall, 1st Floor, Wendell Chino Building, 1220 South St. Francis, Santa Fe, New Mexico. The docket may be viewed electronically on the Division's website, http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/OCD/hearings.html or obtained from Florene Davidson, OCD Clerk, at (505) 476-3458. Documents filed in the case may be viewed electronically on the Division's website, http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/imagin/Case File Criteria.aspx. If you are an individual with a disability who needs a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing, contact Florene Davidson, OCD Clerk, at (505) 476-3458, or at the New Mexico Relay Network, 1-800-659-1779, no later than February 24, 2020.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: All named parties and persons having any right, title, interest or claim in the following case and notice to the public.

(NOTE: All land descriptions herein refer to the New Mexico Principal Meridian whether or not so stated.)

To: Marathon Oil Company and Thomaston, I.I.C.

Case No. 21091: Application of Catena Resources Operating, LLC for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a standard 280-acre, more or less, horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2 NW/4 of Section 33, the W/2 W/2 of Section 28 and the SW/4 SW/4 of Section 21, Township 18 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. Said horizontal spacing unit is to be initially dedicated to the proposed Omega 183533 1H Well to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NW/4 SW/4 (Unit L) of Section 33 to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 21. The completed interval for the proposed well will comply with the statewide setback requirements for horizontal oil wells. Also, to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well and the allocation of the cost thereof, the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, the designation of applicant as operator of the well and the proposed horizontal spacing unit, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 20 miles East of Hobbs, New Mexico #35225

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Santa Fe, New Mexico
Exhibit No. F

Submitted by: Catena Resources Operating, LLC Hearing Date: March 05, 2020

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