

**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. 21501

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

Case No. 21502

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by Ascent Energy, LLC as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES

APPLICANT

Ascent Energy, LLC
Attention: Lee Zink

APPLICANT'S ATTORNEY

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OPPONENT

OPPONENT'S ATTORNEY

STATEMENT OF THE CASES

APPLICANT

Case No. 21501: Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interest owners in the Bone Spring formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2W/2 of Section 16 and the W/2W/2 of Section 21, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM. The unit will be dedicated to the Pony Express Fed. Com. Well Nos. 501H, 502H, and 601H, with first take points in the NW/4NW/4 of Section 16 and last take points in the SW/4SW/4 of Section 21.

Case No. 21502: Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2W/2 of Section 16 and the W/2W/2 of Section 21, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, NMPM. The unit will be dedicated to the Pony Express Fed. Com. Well No. 701H, with a first take point in the NW/4NW/4 of Section 16 and a last take point in the SW/4SW/4 of Section 21.

Also to be considered in each case will be the cost of drilling, completing, and equipping 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, completing, and equipping the wells.

OPPONENT

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES

EST. TIME

EXHIBITS

Lee Zink
(landman)

15 min.

Approx. 10

William Metz
(geologist)

15 min.

Approx. 10

OPPONENT

WITNESSES

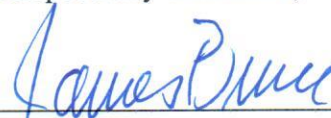
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EXHIBITS

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Ascent requests that these matters be consolidated for hearing. If unopposed, they will be presented by affidavit.

Respectfully submitted,



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