

BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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APPLICATION OF CIMAREX ENERGY  
CO. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,  
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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Case No. 14680

APPLICATION

Cimarex Energy Co. applies for an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Glorieta-Yeso formation underlying the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 29, Township 18 South, Range 26 East, N.M.P.M, and in support thereof, states:

1. Applicant is an interest owner in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 29, and has the right to drill a well thereon.
2. Applicant proposes to drill its Alaska 29 Fee Well No. 5, at an orthodox location, to a depth sufficient to test the Glorieta-Yeso formation, and seeks to dedicate SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 29 to the well to form a standard 40 acre oil spacing and proration unit for any formations and/or pools developed on 40 acre spacing within that vertical extent.
3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 29 for the purposes set forth herein.
4. Although applicant attempted to obtain voluntary agreements from all mineral interest owners to participate in the drilling of the well or to otherwise commit their interests to the well, certain interest owners have failed or refused to join in dedicating their interests. Therefore, applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interest owners in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 29, pursuant to NMSA 1978 §70-2-17.
5. The pooling of all mineral interests underlying the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 29 will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.

**WHEREFORE**, applicant requests that, after notice and hearing, the Division enter its order:

- A. Pooling all mineral interests in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 29 from the surface to the base of the Glorieta-Yeso formation;
- B. Designating applicant as operator of the well;
- C. Considering the cost of drilling and completing the well, and allocating the cost among the well's working interest owners;
- D. Approving actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure; and
- E. Setting a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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PROPOSED ADVERTISEMENT

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***Application of Cimarex Energy Co. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.***

Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Glorieta-Yeso formation underlying the SE/4SW/4 of Section 29, Township 18 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations or pools developed on 40-acre spacing within that vertical extent. The unit will be dedicated to the Alaska 29 Fee Well No. 5, to be drilled at an orthodox location. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well. The unit is located approximately 4 miles south-southwest of Atoka, New Mexico.

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