## BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF PLATINUM EXPLORATION, 2009 DEC 15 AM 11 30 INC. TO ABOLISH THE SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE SOUTH KNOWLES-DEVONIAN POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. No. 13400

## APPLICATION

Platinum Exploration, Inc. applies for an order abolishing the special rules and regulations for the South Knowles-Devonian Pool (the "Pool"), and in support thereof, states:

1. Applicant is an operator in the Pool.

2. The Pool was created by Commission Order No. R-512, and currently covers the following lands in Lea County, New Mexico:

<u>Township 17</u>	South,	Range	38	East,	N.M.P.M.
Section 12:	All				
Section 13:	All				
Section 24: $N\frac{1}{2}$ and $SW\frac{1}{4}$					
<u>Township 17</u>	South,	Range	39	<u>East,</u>	N.M.P.M.
Section 7:	All				
Section 18:					
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3. Commission Order No. R-638-B, as amended, instituted special rules for the Pool, providing for 80 acre spacing and wells to be located within 150 feet of the center of a quarter-quarter section.

4. Applicant requests that the special pool rules for the Pool be abolished, and that the Pool henceforth be developed under statewide well spacing and location rules.

5. Applicant requests that the operator of any existing spacing unit within the Pool, at its option, be allowed retain an 80 acre unit for that well. 6. The granting of this application is in the interests of conservation, the prevention of waste, and the protection of correlative rights.

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WHEREFORE, applicant requests that, after notice and hearing, the relief requested above be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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## Proposed Advertisement

<u>Case 13(00</u>: Application of Platinum Exploration, Inc. to abolish the special rules and regulations for the South Knowles-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order abolishing the special rules and regulations for the South Knowles-Devonian Pool, and instituting statewide well spacing and location regulations for the pool. The pool rules currently provide for 80-acre spacing, and wells to be within 150 feet of the center of a quarter-quarter section. The pool covers all or parts of Sections 12, 13, and 24, Township 17 South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M., and Sections 7, 18, and 19, Township 17 South, Range 39 East, N.M.P.M. The pool is centered approximately 2 miles east-northeast of Knowles, New Mexico.

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