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Via Hand Delivery

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Case 14727

Application of Williams Production Co., LLC for A Project Area for Re: the Fruitland Coal Participating Area in the Rosa Unit, San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties, New Mexico.

Dear Ms. Bailey:

Enclosed is the application of Williams Production Company, LLC in the abovereferenced case as well as a copy of a legal advertisement. Williams requests that this matter be placed on the docket for the September 1, 2011 Examiner hearings.

Sincerely,

for Holland & Hart LLP

Mr. Ken McQueen cc:

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

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF WILLIAMS PRODUCTION CO., LLC FOR A PROJECT AREA FOR THE FRUITLAND COAL PARTICIPATING AREA IN THE ROSA UNIT, SAN JUAN AND RIO ARRIBA COUNTIES, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. <u>/47</u>27

APPLICATION

WILLIAMS PRODUCTION COMPANY, LLC, ("Williams") through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application to the Oil Conservation Division for designation of a Project Area pursuant to Division Rules 19.15.16.7 and 19.15.16.14 to include all of the Fruitland Coal Participating Area within the Rosa Unit, San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties and in support of this application states:

1. Williams is a working interest owner and the designated operator of the Rosa Unit. The horizontal limits of said Unit Area are described as follows:

Township 32 North, Range 6 West

Section 32-36: All

Township 31 North, Range 6 West

Sections 1 -3: All

Sections 4, 5, 8-17, 21-26: All

Township 31 North Range 5 West

Sections 3-36. All

Township 31 North Range 4 West

Sections 1-31:

2. The Bureau of Land Management has approved a Participating Area for the Fruitland Coal formation in the Rosa Unit which covers an area of approximately 30,759.78 acres. Williams proposes to designate most of the Participating Area for the Fruitland Coal as one Project Area, specifically for the following lands:

Township 32 North Range 6 West

Sections 32-36

Township 31 North Range 6 West

Sections 1-5 Sections 8-17 Sections 21-26

Township 31 North Range 5 West

Sections 4-7
Section 8 S/2
Section 9
Section 10 N/2
Section 13 W/2
Sections 16-22
Sections 23 S/2
Section 24 W/2
Section 25
Section 26 S/2
Section 27 W/2
Sections 28-35
Section 36 W/2

Township 31 North Range 4 West

Section 19 Section 20 W/2 Section 29 Section 30 W/2 Section 31 W/2

3. Williams proposes to dedicate this Project Area, excluding uncommitted acreage, to existing and future vertical and horizontal wells drilled and completed in the

Fruitland Coal formation, Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool for a total Project Area of 30,759.78 acres, more or less. Williams proposes to maintain a 660 feet offset from uncommitted acreage until and unless an agreement is reached with uncommitted interest owners regarding allocation of production.

- 4. A "project area" is defined as an "area the operator designates on form C-102 that a spacing unit's outer boundaries enclose, a combination of complete, contiguous spacing units or an approved secondary, tertiary or pressure maintenance project." 19.15.16.7(I) NMAC.
- 5. Granting this application will allow Williams to more efficiently and effectively develop the Fruitland Coal formation within the Participating Area.
- 6. Williams requests that future amendments of the proposed Project Area be amended administratively.
- 7. Exhibit A to this application is a list of affected persons as defined by Division Rules. Williams has given notice to the listed parties in accordance with Division Rules.
- 8. Approval of this application will result in the production of hydrocarbons which otherwise will not be produced and will be in the best interest of conservation and the protection of correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Williams Production Company, LLC requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on September 1, 2011 and, after notice and hearing as required by law, that the application be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A WILLIAMS PRODUCTION CO., LLC's NOTICE LIST FOR ROSA UNIT

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Applicant, in the above-styled cause seeks designation of a Project Area for the Fruitland Coal Participating Area within the Rosa Unit excluding certain uncommitted acreage for a total of 30,759.78 acres to be dedicated to existing and future vertical and horizontal wells completed in the Fruitland Coal formation, Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool. Said area is located approximately 9 miles southeast of Arbolies, Colorado.