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CASE 14741

APPLICATION OF CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO FOR DESIGNATION OF A NON-STANDARD SPACING UNIT AND FOR COMPULSORY POOLING EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO [West Shugart 32 State Com No. 2-H Well-E/2W/2 Sec 32]

CIMAREX'S AMENDED PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado ("Cimarex") submits their pre-hearing statement as required by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission.

APPEARANCES OF THE PARTIES

APPLICANT

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CIMAREX'S STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Cimarex proposes to drill and operate the West Shugart "32' State Com Well No. 2-H as a horizontal wellbore to be dedicated to a non-standard 160-acre spacing and proration unit ("the project area") consisting of the E/2W/2 of Section 32, T18S, R31E, Eddy County, NM

Cimarex controls a working interest ownership within the proposed 160-acre spacing unit and has an interest in each of the four 40-acre tracts. Cimarex proposes that any production be allocated to the owners using a straight- acreage formula.

Cimarex has consolidated some of the working interest owners on a voluntary basis for this well and its spacing unit.

By letter dated July 22, 2011, Cimarex sent a well proposal letter, including an AFE and Joint Operating Agreement, to the remaining uncommitted working interest owners within the project area.

Despite reasonable efforts, Cimarex was unable to conclude a voluntary agreement with certain parties including Nearburg Production Company.

On August 19, 2011, Cimarex filed its application for compulsory pooling requesting a hearing date of October 13, 2011.

Pursuant to Commission Order R-11992, effective August 15, 2003, Cimarex requests that the 200% risk charge be applied.

As currently required by the Division, Cimarex has identified the offsetting operators and/or working interest to this project area and will provide notification.

Pursuant to Section 70-2-17.C NMSA (1978) and in order to obtain its just and equitable share of potential production underlying this spacing unit, Cimarex needs an order of the Division pooling the identified and described mineral interests involved in order to protect correlative rights and prevent waste.

In accordance with the Division's notice requirements, a copy of this application has been sent to those other working interests owners to be pooled and to those offsetting operator/working interest owners adjacent to this non-standard spacing and proration unit and of the applicant's request for a hearing of this matter before the Division on the next available Examiner's docket now scheduled for October 13, 2011.

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PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT			
	WITNESSES	EST. TIME	EST. EXHIBIT
	Mark Compton (Landman)	30-45 min	6-8
	Lee Catalano (Geologist)	30- min	4-6
	Michael Swain (Engineer)	30-min	4-6

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

(1) On October 11, 2011, Examiner's Brooks and Warnell conducted a prehearing conference to consider Cimarex's Motion of Quash a Subpoena issued for Nearburg Producing Company that sought data from Cimarex for a well in the spacing unit to the west of the subject well's project area. Also filed were Nearburg's Reply and Cimzrex's Supplemental to this Motion. During the conference Cimarex voluntary agreed to provide some of the data with the balance pending a decision by the Examiner Brooks.

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