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Florene Davidson Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Dear Florene:

Enclosed for filing, on behalf of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P., are an original and one copy of an application for unit expansion, together with a proposed advertisement. The advertisement has also been e-mailed to the Division. Please set this matter for the October 27, 2011 Examiner hearing. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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Attorney for Devon Energy Production Company, L.P.

# PERSONS BEING NOTIFIED

XTO Energy Inc.

Bureau of Land Management

Commissioner of Public Lands

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# BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

## APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P TO EXPAND THE COTTON DRAW UNIT, EDDY AND LEA COUNTIES, NEW MEXICO.

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### APPLICATION

Devon Energy Production Company, L.P., for its application, states:

1. Applicant is a working interest owner in, and the operator of, the Cotton Draw Unit (the "Unit").

2. The Unit was approved by Commission Order No. R-1186, and originally covered

approximately 35,144 acres, more or less, of state and federal land in Eddy and Lea Counties.

Under Division Order No. R-1186-A, the Unit currently covers the following lands:

Township 24 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M.Section 25:W½NW¼ and S½Section 26:AllSection 34:E½Section 35:AllSection 36:All

Township 24 South, Range 32 East, N.M.P.M.Section 33:SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>Section 34:SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

Township 25 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M.Section 1:AllSection 2:AllSection 3: $E\frac{1}{2}$ Section 11:N $\frac{1}{2}$ Section 12:AllSection 13:All

Township 25 South, Range 32 East, N.M.P.M.Section 3:W½NW¼Section 4:NE¼Section 7:AllSection 9:E½SE¼

Section 10: SW1/4NE1/4, SE1/4NW1/4, and SW1/4 Section 15:  $W^{1/2}NE^{1/4}$  and  $W^{1/2}$ Section 16: E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, and SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Section 18: All Section 20: E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Section 21: All Section 22: NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> and NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Section 28: N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> and SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Section 29: NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

Containing 9624.90 acres, more or less.

3. Applicant requests approval to include the following federal lands in the Unit:

Township 25 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M. Section 11: S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

Containing 320.00 acres, more or less.

- 4. Applicant is seeking preliminary approval of the expansion from the Bureau of Land Management and the Commissioner of Public Lands.
  - 4. The granting of this application will prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, applicant requests that, after notice and hearing, the Division enter its order granting the relief requested above.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attorney for Devon Energy Production Company, L.P.

#### PROPOSED ADVERTISEMENT

# Case No. 14748 :

Application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. to expand the Cotton Draw Unit, Eddy and Lea Counties, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval to expand the Cotton Draw Unit to include the S/2 of Section 11, Township 25 South, Range 31 East, NMPM. The unit area, as expanded, will contain 9944.90 acres, more or less, of state and federal lands in all or parts of: Sections 25, 26, and 33-36 in Township 24 South, Range 31 East, NMPM; Sections 33 and 34 in Township 24 South, Range 32 East; NMPM, Sections 1-3 and 11-13 in Township 25 South, Range 31 East, NMPM; and Sections 3, 4, 7, 9, 10, 15, 16, 18, 20-22, 28, and 29 in Township 25 South, Range 32 East, NMPM. The unit area is centered approximately 22-1/2 miles east-southeast of Malaga, New Mexico.

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