

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

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

Case No. 14767  
Case No. 14768  
Case No. 14769  
Case No. 14670  
Case No. 14771  
Case No. 14772  
Case No. 14781

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**APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING, LLC FOR A NON-STANDARD  
SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT, NON-STANDARD  
LOCATION AND COMPULSORY POOLING,  
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

Case No. 14791  
Case No. 14792  
Case No. 14793  
Case No. 14794  
Case No. 14795

**COG's CONSOLIDATED PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

COG Operating, LLC, submits this Pre-Hearing Statement for the above referenced cases pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

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**APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF CASE**

**The Section 1 competing well proposals.** In Case Nos. 14791-14793, COG seeks an order: (1) creating non-standard 160-acre spacing/proration units and project areas comprised of the E/2 W/2, the W/2 W/2, and the E/2 E/2 of Section 1, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico; and (2) pooling all mineral interests in the Glorieta-Yeso formation underlying these 160-acre project areas for the purpose of drilling three horizontal wells. In contrast to COG's horizontal development plans, in Case Nos. 14770-14772 and 14781, Cimarex seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the equivalent of eight 40-acre oil spacing and proration units for the purpose of developing the Glorieta-Yeso formation underlying this area with at least eight vertical wells.

**The Section 31 competing well proposals.** In Case Nos. 14794-14795, COG seeks an order (1) creating two non-standard 160-acre spacing/proration units and project areas comprised of the W/2 W/2 and the E/2 E/2 of Section 31, Township 18 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico; and (2) pooling all mineral interests in the Glorieta-Yeso formation underlying these 160-acre project areas for the purpose of drilling two horizontal wells. In contrast to COG's horizontal development plans, in Case Nos. 14767-14769, Cimarex seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the equivalent of three 40-acre oil spacing and proration units for the purpose of developing the Glorieta-Yeso formation underlying this area with at least three vertical wells.

The Division is asked to determine which of these competing development plans are in the best interests of the affected working interest, and in the best interests of conservation and the prevention of waste.

#### **APPLICANT'S PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

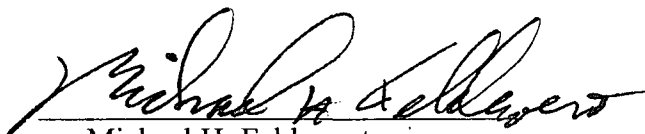
<b>WITNESS Name and Expertise</b>	<b>ESTIMATED TIME</b>	<b>EXHIBITS</b>
Stuart Dirks – Landman	Approx. 30	Approx. 8
Noel Navares - Landman	Approx. 30	Approx 5
Raymond Reyes – Geologist	Approx. 15	Approx. 6
T.J. Midkiff – Engineer	Approx. 60	Approx. 15

#### **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

COG requests that the above referenced cases be consolidated for hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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