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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO The State of New Mexico, through its Oil Conservation Commission hereby gives notice pursuant to law and Commission rules of the following meeting and public hearing to be held at 9:00 A.M. on March 27, 2012, in Porter Hall at 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission. The Commission will hear the application of the Oil Conservation Division concerning the amendment of 19.15.14.8 NMAC issued pursuant to the Oil and Gas Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 70-2-1 through 70-2-38. If additional time is needed, the hearing may continue at a later date announced by the Commission. If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing please contact Commission Clerk Florene Davidson at (505) 476-3458 or through the New Mexico Relay Network (1-800-659-1779) by March 17, 2012. Public documents can be provided in various accessible forms. Please contact Ms. Davidson if a summary or other type of accessible form is needed. A preliminary agenda will be available to the public no later than two weeks prior to the meeting. A final agenda will be available no later than 24 hours preceding the meeting. Members of the public may obtain copies of the agenda by contacting Ms. Davidson at the phone number indicated above. Also, the agenda will be posted on the Oil Conservation Division website at www.emnrd.state.nm.us. STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: All named parties and persons having any right, title, interest or claim in the following cases and notice to the public. NOTICE OF RULE MAKING Case No: 14805: The Oil Conservation Division seeks a hearing concerning the following changes to Section 8 of Title 19, Chapter 15 Part 14 of the New Mexico Administrative Code: amend Subsection A of 19.15.14.8 NMAC. The proposed change would require an operator to obtain a permit prior to commencing drilling operations, deepening or plugging back a well. Copies of a summary of the intended effect of the proposed rule change and of the text of the proposed new rule and amendment are available from commission clerk Florene Davidson at (505) 476-3458 or from the Division's web site at <http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/oed> under "Rules/Proposed Rules." Written comments on the proposed amendments and pre-hearing statements must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 20, 2012. Any person may present non-technical testimony or make an un-sworn statement at the hearing. Any person who intends to present technical testimony or cross-examine witnesses at the hearing shall, no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 20, 2012 file six sets of a pre-hearing statement with Ms. Davidson. The pre-hearing statement shall include the person's name and the name of the person's attorney; the names of all witnesses the person will call to testify at the hearing; a concise statement of each witnesses' testimony; all technical witnesses' qualifications including a description of the witnesses' education and experience; and the approximate time needed to present the testimony. The person shall attach to the pre-hearing statement any exhibits he or she plans to offer as evidence at the hearing. Any person recommending modifications to a proposed rule change shall, no later than March 13, 2012, file a notice of recommended modifications with Ms. Davidson including the text of the recommended modifications, an explanation of the modifications' impact, and the reasons for adopting the modifications. Written comments, pre-hearing statements and notices of recommended modifications may be hand-delivered or mailed to Ms. Davidson at 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, or may be faxed to Ms. Davidson at (505) 476-3462. Faxed documents must be entirely received prior to 5:00 p.m., Mountain Time, on the due date. Given under the Seal of the State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico on this 28th day of February 2012. STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Jami Bailey Director, Oil Conservation Division Journal: March 2, 2012

Exhibit 1-A