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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 13421

APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Pre-Hearing Statement is submitted by Holland & Hart LLP, as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

OPPOSITION

ATTORNEY

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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in all formations from the surface to the base of the Morrow in the E/2 of Section 23, Township 23 South, Range 26 East, N.M.P.M., in the following described spacing and proration units: the E/2 to form a standard 320-acre spacing and proration unit for all formations developed on a 320-acre spacing within that vertical extent which includes but is not necessarily limited to the South

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Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool, the Undesignated North Black River-Atoka Gas Pool, the Undesignated Frontier Hills-Strawn Gas Pool, the Undesignated South Carlsbad-Canyon Gas Pool, the Undesignated South Yarrow-Bone Spring Gas Pool; the SE/4 to form a standard spacing and proration unit for all formations developed on 160-acre spacing within that vertical extent; and the SE/4 SE/4 to form a standard spacing and proration unit for all formations developed on 40-acre spacing within that vertical extent which includes but is not limited to the Undesignated Dark Canyon-Delaware Pool. Said units are to be dedicated to applicant's proposed Black River Federal Com Well No. 1 to be drilled and completed at a standard gas well location 660 feet from the South and East lines (Unit P) of said Section 23. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well, the allocation of the cost thereof, actual operating costs and charges for supervision, the designation of Mewbourne Oil Company as operator of the well, and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 3 miles south of the Carlsbad Municipal Airport, Carlsbad, New Mexico.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES (Name and Expertise)

ESTIMATED TIME

EXHIBITS

Steve Cobb (Landman)

Approx. 15 Minutes

Approx. 6

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Mewbourne Oil Company has none at this time.

William F. Carr

Attorney for Mewbourne Oil Company