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

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

APPLICATION OF MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING AND AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 14,869

# PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by applicant as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

#### **APPEARANCES**

APPLICANT

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# STATEMENT OF THE CASE

#### APPLICANT

Mewbourne Oil Company seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Wolfcamp formation underlying the following described acreage in the W/2 of Section 14, Township 26 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, and in the following manner: From the surface to the top of the Wolfcamp formation underlying the NE/4NW/4 of Section 14 to form a standard 40 acre oil spacing and proration unit for all pools or formations developed on 40 acre spacing within that vertical extent; and the Wolfcamp formation underlying the W/2 of Section 14 to form a standard 320 acre gas spacing and proration unit for all pools or formations developed on 320 acre spacing within that vertical extent. The units are to be dedicated to the Delaware Ranch 14 CN Well No. 1, a horizontal well with a surface location 330 feet from the

north line and 1650 feet from the west line, and a terminus 330 feet from the south line and 1650 feet from the west line, of Section 14. The location is unorthodox in the Wolfcamp formation. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well.

# **OPPONENT**

## PROPOSED EVIDENCE

# APPLICANT

WITNESSES EST. TIME **EXHIBITS** Steven J. Smith 15 min. Approx. 6 (landman) Nate Cless 15 min. Approx. 4 (geologist)

IF UNOPPOSED, APPLICANT WILL PRESENT ITS LAND TESTIMONY BY AFFIDAVIT.

## **OPPONENT**

WITNESSES

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**EXHIBITS** 

## PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Respectfully submitted,

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