

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

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

**APPLICATION OF LIME ROCK RESOURCES II-A,
L.P. FOR APPROVAL OF COMPULSORY POOLING,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

Case No. 14,820

**APPLICATION OF LIME ROCK RESOURCES II-A,
L.P. FOR APPROVAL OF COMPULSORY POOLING,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

Case No. 14,821

**APPLICATION OF LIME ROCK RESOURCES II-A,
L.P. FOR APPROVAL OF COMPULSORY POOLING,
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Case No. 14,822

**APPLICATION OF LIME ROCK RESOURCES II-A,
L.P. FOR APPROVAL OF COMPULSORY POOLING,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

Case No. 14,823

**UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR A CONTINUANCE
AND A PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE**

Mewbourne Oil Company ("Mewbourne") moves the Division for an order continuing the above compulsory pooling applications, and ordering a pre-hearing conference at which Mewbourne's motion to dismiss can be considered, and in support thereof, states:

1. Lime Rock Resources II-A, L.P. ("Lime Rock") has filed the above applications seeking to force pool all depths from the surface to the base of the Yeso formation underlying the E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 7, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M. The Yeso formation is apparently the primary target of the four wells involved in these cases.

2. Mewbourne asserts that it is the operator of the S½ of Section 7, as to the Yeso formation, under an Operating Agreement dated May 15, 1973. It has filed a motion to dismiss the four applications.

3. The hearing on these cases has been continued from their original setting by Lime Rock. Mewbourne thinks, but is not certain, that they have been continued three times.

4. The last continuance requested by Lime Rock was based on its desire to perform additional title examination on the subject acreage, so that it could supplement its response in opposition to Mewbourne's motion to dismiss.

5. Mewbourne has:

(a) obtained from the Division and served upon Lime Rock a subpoena *duces tecum* for certain title information to support its motion to dismiss. The data requested by the subpoena is due July 9th, unless Lime Rock moves to quash the subpoena; and

(b) filed a motion with the Division requesting permission to depose Lime Rock's title attorney. No order has been issued on that motion. If it is granted, the deposition could probably not occur before the hearing, currently scheduled for July 12th.

Mewbourne obtained the subpoena and moved to allow it to take the deposition to further support its motion to dismiss.

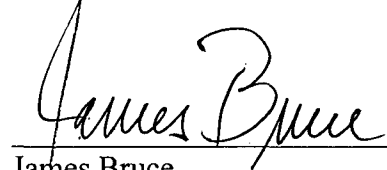
6. Lime Rock's additional title information, and the data/deposition requested by Mewbourne, may allow the Division to hold a pre-hearing conference to decide the motion to dismiss before hearing. A full hearing, as is currently scheduled, would entail bringing numerous personnel from each company to Santa Fe, and would probably occupy 6 hours of the Examiner hearing.

7. If Mewbourne's motion is granted, a hearing will be unnecessary. If it is not granted, the length of the hearing will be substantially reduced. Either outcome will save both companies, and the Division, time and money.

8. Counsel for Lime Rock does not oppose a continuance or a pre-hearing conference.

WHEREFORE, Mewbourne Oil Company requests that these cases be continued to the Examiner hearing schedule for August 9, 2012, and that, the week before the August 9th hearing, the Division consider and decide Mewbourne's motion to dismiss.

Respectfully submitted,



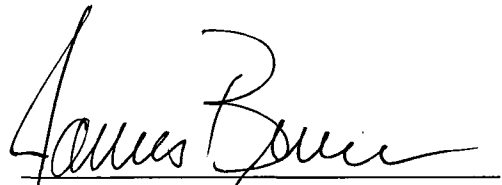
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing pleading was served upon the following counsel of record this 5th day of July, 2012 by facsimile transmission and U.S. Mail:

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