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July 16, 2012

Jami Bailey, Director Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Case 14764 (de novo)

Dear Ms. Bailey:

Enclosed for the Commission's consideration are an original and five copies of Cimarex's motion to dismiss.

Very truly yours,

James Bruce

Attorney for Cimarex Energy Co.

cc: Adam G. Rankin w/encl.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION (1)

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

APPLICATION OF CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO FOR A NON-STANDARD OIL SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT, AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION, AND COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 14,764 (*de novo*) Order No. R-13533

MOTION TO DISMISS

Cimarex Energy Co. ("Cimarex") moves the Commission for an order dismissing the appeal *de novo*, and in support thereof, states:

- 1. Division Order No. R-13533 (i) approved a 160-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit (project area) in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the E/2E/2 of Section 33, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, and (ii) pooled all uncommitted mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the E/2E/2 of Section 33. The well unit is dedicated to the Chaparral 33 Fed. Com. Well No. 3, a horizontal well to be drilled at a surface location in the NE/4NE/4, with a terminus in the SE/4SE/4, of Section 33.
- 2. Order No. R-13533 pooled a number of people, including Tom Beall, Carolyn Beall, and Fuel Products, Inc., who are working interest owners in the well unit.
- 3. At the Examiner hearing, Tom Beall, Carolyn Beall, Fuel Products, Inc., Pear Resources, and Gardenia Investments, Ltd. entered appearances in the case before the Examiner, and have appealed Order No. R-13533 to the Commission.
 - 4. Applicant requests that the appeal be dismissed, for the following reasons:

- (a) Subsequent to the entry of Order No. R-13533, Tom Beall, Carolyn Beall, and Fuel Products, Inc. signed Cimarex's operating agreement, and thus are no longer subject to Order No. R-13533. <u>See Exhibit A</u> (the affidavit of Mark Compton).
- (b) Pear Resources and Gardenia Investments, Ltd. do not working interests in the well unit, and hence are not subject to Order No. R-13533. Id.
- 5. For the foregoing reasons, the appeal is moot.
- 6. Opposing counsel does <u>not</u> concur in this motion.

WHEREFORE, Cimarex requests that the appeal be dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,

James Bruce

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Attorney for Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

Adam G. Rankin Holland & Hart LLP P.O. Box 2208 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504 (505) 983-6043

James Bruce

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AFFIDAVIT OF MARK COMPTON

COUNTY OF MIDLAND)
) ss
STATE OF TEXAS)

Mark Compton, being duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and states:

- 1. I am over the age of 18, and have personal knowledge of the matters stated herein.
- 2. I am a landman for Cimarex Energy Co. ("Cimarex").
- 3. Cimarex is the operator of the Chaparral 33 Fed. Com. Well No. 3, a horizontal well to be drilled at a surface location in the NE/4NE/4, with a terminus in the SE/4SE/4, of Section 33, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, NMPM (the "well"). A 160-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit (project area) in the Bone Spring formation, comprised of the E/2E/2 of Section 33, is dedicated to the well.
- 4. Order No. R-13533 force pooled a number of people into the well, including Tom Beall, Carolyn Beall, and Fuel Products, Inc., who are working interest owners in the well unit.

 A listing of working interest owners in the well unit is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**.



- 5. Subsequent to the entry of Order No. R-13533, Tom Beall, Carolyn Beall, and Fuel Products, Inc. signed Cimarex's operating agreement covering the E/2E/2 of Section 33, and are no longer subject to Order No. R-13533. Attached hereto as Exhibit 2 are the signature pages to Cimarex's operating agreement, signed and notarized by Tom Beall, Carolyn Beall, and Fuel Products, Inc., together with the cover letter enclosing the signature pages.
- 6 Pear Resources and Gardenia Investments, Ltd. do not own working interests in the well unit, and are not subject to Order No. R-13533. Exhibit 1.

Mark Compton

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this // day of July 2012 by Mark Compton.

My Commission Expires (DIM) W, 2017

Notary Public

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Thomas M. Beall 550 West Texas Avenue, Suite 330 P.O. Box 3098 Midland, TX 79702 432-687-0008

May 21, 2012

HAND DELIVERED TO:

Cimarex Energy Co. Attn: Mr. Mark Compton 600 N. Marienfeld St., Suite 600 Midland, TX 79701

> RE: Chaparral 33 Federal Com #3 E/2E/2 Section 33, T-19-S, R-34-E, Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Please find enclosed signature pages for your new proposed Joint Operation Agreement dated February 15th, 2012 for the captioned proposed well. AFE's for this well have already been delivered to you signed and dated on 3/13/2012 by Thomas M. Beall and Fuel Products, Inc. Another AFE is attached for convenience. Although a Joint Operating Agreement for this well was signed by Carolyn R. Beall and returned to you through Read & Stevens, Inc., we have enclosed herewith her acknowledged signature.

Sincerely,

Thank you for your kind assistance in the matter.

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