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July 3, 2013

Ms. Florene Davidson New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

Re: NMOCD Case No. 15018: Application of SM Energy Company for Desigantion of a Non-Standard Spacing and Proration Unit and for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dear Ms. Davidson:

On behalf of SM Energy Company enclosed for filing is SM Energy Company's original Pre-Hearing Statement in the above-referenced case and two additional copies.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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:dh Enclosures cc: Ocean Munds-Dry, Esq.

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

## IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SM ENERGY COMPANY FOR DESIGNATION OF A NON-STANDARD SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT AND FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

2013 JUL −3 P 2: 02 Case No. 15018

#### **PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

SM Energy Company ("SM") provides this Pre-Hearing Statement as required by the rules of the Division.

#### APPEARANCES

<u>APPLICANT</u>

SM Energy Company

APPLICANT'S ATTORNEY

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OTHER PARTY N/A OTHER PARTY'S ATTORNEY N/A

#### STATEMENT OF THE CASE

#### APPLICANT

Applicant seeks an order consolidating the 40-acre spacing units within the N/2 N/2 of Section 34, Township 19 South Range 29 East, NMPM and designating the consolidated units as a 160-acre± non-standard oil spacing and proration unit for a well location in the Bone Spring formation for Applicant's horizontal drilling project area. Applicant further seeks the compulsory pooling of all interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the N/2 N/2 of

Section 34 to be dedicated to its Osage "34" Federal No. 1H Well to be drilled horizontally from a surface location NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) to a bottom hole location in the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation, Parkway Bone Spring pool (49622). Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of SM Energy Company as operator and a charge for risk involved in drilling the well.

#### **PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

#### **APPLICANT**

EST. TIME	<u>EXHIBITS</u>
20 minutes	6
20 minutes	4
	20 minutes

<u>OPPONENT</u>

WITNESSES

<u>EST. TIME</u>

**EXHIBITS** 

N/A

#### **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

Applicant does not presently expect this case to be opposed.

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# Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served to counsel of record by electronic mail this  $\underline{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{I}}}$  day of July, 2013.

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