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

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APPLICATION OF CIMAREX ENERGY COMPANY FOR A NON-STANDARD OIL SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT, COMPULSORY POOLING AND A NON-STANDARD LOCATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 15/88

#### **APPLICATION**

Cimarex Energy Company of Colorado ("Cimarex"), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application to the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-17, for an order: (1) authorizing a non-standard location; (2) creating a non-standard 320-acre, more or less, oil spacing and proration unit in the Wolfcamp formation, comprised of the W/2 of Section 14, Township 25 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico; and (3) pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying this proposed non-standard spacing and proration unit. In support of this application, Cimarex states as follows:

- 1. Cimarex is an interest owner in the subject lands and has the right to drill a well thereon.
- 2. Cimarex seeks to dedicate the W/2 of Section 14 to the proposed well to form a non-standard 320-acre, more or less, oil spacing and proration unit (the "project area").
- 3. Cimarex proposes to drill the Riverbend 14 Fed. Com No. 2H well to a depth sufficient to test the Wolfcamp formation.
- 4. This project area is governed by the wildcat gas well acreage and well location requirements, NMAC 19.15.15.10(B) (pool code 97949). These special rules require (1) 320 acre spacing units; and (2) wells to be located 660 feet from the outer boundary of the quarter

section. Cimarex seeks a non-standard location in order to allow a producing area that is 330 feet from the project area boundary.

- 5. Cimarex has sought but been unable to obtain a voluntary agreement from all mineral interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the proposed project area to participate in the drilling of the well or to otherwise commit their interests to the well.
- 6. Approval of the non-standard unit and the pooling of all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the proposed project area will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste and protect correlative rights.
- 7. Notice of this application has been given in accordance with Division rules as shown on Exhibit A.

WHEREFORE, Cimarex Energy Company of Colorado requests this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on August 21, 2014, and after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order:

- A. Creating a non-standard oil spacing and proration unit ("project area") in the Wolfcamp formation comprised of W/2 of Section 14, Township 25 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico;
  - B. Authorizing a non-standard location;
- C. Pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying this non-standard spacing and proration unit/project area;
- D. Designating Cimarex as operator of this unit and the well to be drilled thereon;
- E. Authorizing Cimarex to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing this well;
- F. Approving actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure; and
- G. Setting a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the well.

## Respectfully submitted,

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Larry G. Phillips and Anne C. Phillips P.O. Box 2197 Midland, Texas 79702 CASE NO. 15188 : Application of Cimarex Energy Company of Colorado for a non-standard spacing and proration unit, compulsory pooling and a non-standard location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order from the Division: (1) authorizing a non-standard location; (2) creating a non-standard 320-acre, more or less, oil spacing and proration unit in the Wolfcamp formation, comprised of the W/2 of Section 14, Township 25 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico; and (3) pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying this proposed non-standard spacing and proration unit. This proposed non-standard spacing and proration unit will be the project area for the Riverbend 14 Fed. Com. No. 2H to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for this well will be 330 feet from the project area boundary. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Cimarex as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 22 miles southwest of Carlsbad, New Mexico.