

**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 ROCA EXPLORATION, LTD.
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY,
NEW MEXICO.**

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Case No. ~~13,578~~

**ENTRY OF APPEARANCE
AND
PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

This entry of appearance and pre-hearing statement is submitted by Rex Energy Operating Corp.
as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

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STATEMENT OF THE CASE

APPLICANT

Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Bone Spring formation underlying the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 33 East, NMPM. The unit is to be dedicated to the existing New Mexico "36" State Well No. 3.

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OPPONENT

Rex Energy Operating Corp. does not oppose the drilling of the well. However, it believes the acreage is already subject to an operating agreement, and pooling is unnecessary. Also, the well is in the E-K Bone Spring Pool, which is spaced on 80 acres under Division Order No. R-4981, as amended. The application only seeks to pool a 40 acre well unit.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE**APPLICANT****WITNESSES****EST. TIME****EXHIBITS****OPPONENT****WITNESSES****EST. TIME****EXHIBITS**

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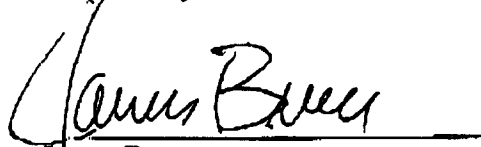
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PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Rex Energy Operating Corp. has informally requested applicant to continue this case, so that the issues listed above may be resolved.

Respectfully submitted,



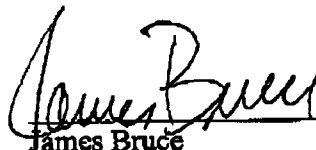
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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