

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

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APPLICATION OF CIMAREX ENERGY
CO. OF COLORADO TO CHANGE
THE SETBACK REQUIREMENTS IN
THE WOLFCAMP FORMATION WITHIN
TOWNSHIPS 24S, 25S, 26S AND RANGES 25E,
26E AND 27E, N.M.P.M., EDDY COUNTY,
NEW MEXICO, TO EXPAND POOL BOUNDARIES,
AND TO ESTABLISH THE CROOKED CREEK
WOLFCAMP GAS (EAST) POOL, THE
BLACK RIVER, WOLFCAMP, SOUTHWEST
(GAS) POOL, AND CREATE THE WELCH, WOLFCAMP,
MILEPOST POOL, THE WOLFCAMP (GAS) POOL,
AND THE MILEPOST, WOLFCAMP, NORTHEAST
(GAS) POOL IN EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 15430

CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO'S PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado ("Cimarex"), submits this Pre-Hearing Statement for the above-referenced case pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES

APPLICANT

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OPPONENT

No party is expected to oppose the Application.

STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT:

Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order from the Division approving the establishment and creation of Wolfcamp gas pools and modifications to the setback requirements for various existing Wolfcamp gas pools located in Townships 24S, 25S, 26S, Ranges 25E, 26E, 27E, N.M.P.M. Eddy County, New Mexico, Eddy County, New Mexico consisting of the following:

(1) the modification of the setback requirements in the current and proposed Wolfcamp pools included in Townships 24S, 25S, 26S, Ranges 25E, 26E, 27E, N.M.P.M. Eddy County, New Mexico, to require wells to be located no closer than 330 feet to the outer boundary of a spacing unit;

(2) the expansion of the boundaries of the White City, Wolfcamp Southwest (Gas) Pool (97766); White City, Wolfcamp South (Gas) Pool (97592); Sage Draw, Wolfcamp (Gas) Pool (84407); Sage Draw, Wolfcamp East (Gas) Pool (96890); Black River, Wolfcamp Pool (72240); Black River, Wolfcamp, East (Gas) Pool (97442); and, the Sulphate Draw, Wolfcamp (Gas) Pool (85780);

(3) the establishment of the Crooked Creek Wolfcamp Gas (East) Pool covering the N/2 of Section 5, Township 24 South, Range 25 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico. This pool has not yet been established under a nomenclature order; however, the District Office has been utilizing this pool and pool name;

(4) the establishment of the Black River, Wolfcamp, Southwest (Gas) Pool covering the E/2 of Section 25 and the E/2 of Section 36, Township 24 South, Range 25 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and the W/2 of Section 14, E/2 of Section 22, NW/4 of Section 23, W/2, NE/4 of Section 27, S/2 of Section 28, S/2 of Section 29, all of Section 30, and the S/2 and NW/4 of Section 32, Township 24 South, Range 26 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico. This pool has not yet been established under a nomenclature order; however, the District Office has been utilizing this pool and pool name;

(5) the creation of the Welch, Wolfcamp Pool (98017), covering Sections 26, 27, 28, 29, 32, 33, 34 and 35 of Township 26 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico. This is an entirely new pool and the pool name has been recommended by the District Geologist;

(6) the creation of the Milepost, Wolfcamp (Gas) Pool (97950) (*proposed pool*) ((WC-015 S262529E, Wolfcamp (Gas)) covering the W/2 of Section 29, Township 26 South, Range 25 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico. This is an entirely new pool and the pool name has been recommended by the District Geologist; and

(7) the creation of the Milepost, Wolfcamp Northeast Pool (97882) (*proposed pool*) (Wildcat S262616A, Wolfcamp (Gas)) Pool, covering the E/2 of Section 16, Township 26 South, Range 26 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico. This is an entirely new pool and the pool name has been recommended by the District Geologist.

Township 25 South, Range 26 East is centrally located in the affected acreage and is located approximately 30 miles South of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT:

<u>WITNESS</u>	<u>ESTIMATED TIME</u>	<u>EXHIBITS</u>
Jordan Cockrell – Landman	Approx. 10	Approx. 5
Meera Ramoutar - Geologist	Approx. 15	Approx. 7
Will Sirgo – Reservoir Engineer	Approx. 15 min.	Approx. 7

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Cimarex does not have any procedural matters at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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