STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2017 FEB 28 P 19 30

APPLICATION OF THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT BUREAU FOR A COMPLIANCE ORDER AGAINST JAM OIL, LLC, FOR WELLS OPERATED IN CHAVES AND LEA COUNTIES, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. <u>/5648</u>

APPLICATION

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Compliance and Enforcement Bureau, ("Bureau") through its undersigned attorney, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division ("OCD or Division") pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, §70-2-12 for a compliance order (1) determining operator Jam Oil, LLC ("Operator") is out of compliance with 19.15.8 NMAC and NMSA 1978, §§ 70-2-12(B)(1) and 70-2-14; (2) requiring Operator to return to compliance with 19.15.8 NMAC; and (3) in the event of non-compliance, finding the Operator in violation of a Division order for each day after the deadline established in the sought order to obtain acceptable financial assurance. This application deals specifically with Operator's violations of OCD rules regarding financial assurance and does not include all violations that may exist. The OCD retains its right to bring a compliance action for any other existing and future violations. In support of this application, the OCD states:

- 1. Operator is a New Mexico limited liability company that operates 34 wells in Chaves and Lea Counties, New Mexico, under OGRID No. 256430.
- 2. Operator's address of record with OCD is: P.O. Box 1382, Artesia, NM 88211.

- 3. The New Mexico Secretary of State has Operator registered under corporation number 2957561 and identifies Amanda Johnson, Registered Agent, and Organizer as officer of record.
- 4. NMSA 1978, § 70-2-14 requires that each person, firm, corporation, or association who operates any oil, gas, or service well within the state, as a condition precedent to drilling or producing the well, furnish financial assurance in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit or a cash or surety bond or a well-specific plugging insurance policy to the OCD running to the benefit of the state and conditioned that the well be plugged and abandoned and the location restored and remediated in compliance with OCD rules.
- 5. 19.15.8.9.C NMAC states that an operator shall cover a well that has been in temporary abandonment for more than two years by either a one-well financial assurance or a blanket plugging financial assurance for wells in temporarily abandoned status.
- 6. Operator currently is in need of acceptable financial assurance for the following wells:
 - a. Cannon #001, API 30-005-00044, \$5,801 bond required;
 - b. Cannon #002, API 30-005-00042, \$5,850 bond required;
 - c. Cannon et al #001Y, API 30-005-61892, \$9,386 bond required;
 - d. Cannon et al #002, API 30-005-62292, \$9,330 bond required;
 - e. Cannon Fee #001, API 30-005-60680, \$5,850 bond required;
 - f. Cannon Fee #002Y, API 30-005-61234, \$5,885 bond required;
 - g. Cannon Fee #003, API 30-005-61499, \$5,891 bond required;

- h. Cooper #001, API 30-005-60928, \$6,110 bond required;
- i. Cooper #002, API 30-005-60929, \$6,105 bond required;
- j. Johnson IL #001, API 30-005-60440, \$6,100 bond required;
- k. Kemnitz South AFL State #001, API 30-025-31636, \$11,260 bond required;
- I. Mary Ann Cannon #001, API 30-005-00071, \$5,910 bond required;
- m. Mary Ann Cannon #002, API 30-005-00072, \$5,934 bond required;
- n. Mary Ann Cannon #003, API 30-005-00073, \$5,887 bond required;
- o. Mary Ann Cannon #004, API 30-005-00062, \$5,898 bond required;
- p. Mary Ann Cannon #005, API 30-005-10109, \$6,056 bond required;
- q. Mary Ann Cannon #006, API 30-005-10110, \$6,012 bond required;
- r. Mary Ann Cannon #007, API 30-005-10111, \$6,038 bond required;
- s. Tamarack of State #001, API 30-005-60949, \$6,250 bond required;
- t. Tamarack of State #002, API 30-005-61693, \$6,150 bond required.

WHEREFORE, the Bureau, by and through its compliance and enforcement manager, hereby applies to the Director to enter an Order:

- A. Determining that Operator is in violation of 19.15.8 NMAC;
- B. Determining that Operator is in violation of NMSA 1978, §§ 70-2-12(B)(1) and 70-2-14j
- C. Requiring Operator to provide the OCD with acceptable financial assurance within 30 days of the issuance of an order;

- D. In the event of non-compliance with the sought Division order by the dates established by the OCD, finding the Operator in violation of a Division order;
- E. For such other and further relief as the Director deems just and proper under the circumstances.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, this 28 day of February, 2017 by

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Case No. 1567 Selection of The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Compliance and Enforcement Bureau for a Compliance Order against Jam Oil, LLC, for Wells Operated in Chaves and Lea Counties, New Mexico. The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Compliance and Enforcement Bureau, ("Bureau") through its undersigned attorney, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division ("OCD or Division") pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, §70-2-12 for a compliance order (1) determining operator Jam Oil, LLC ("Operator") is out of compliance with 19.15.8 NMAC and NMSA 1978, §§ 70-2-12(B)(1) and 70-2-14; (2) requiring Operator to return to compliance with 19.15.8 NMAC; and (3) in the event of non-compliance, finding the Operator in violation of a Division order for each day after the deadline established in the sought order to obtain acceptable financial assurance.