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Florene Davidson
Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
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Dear Florene:

Enclosed for filing, on behalf of Matador Production Company, is an application for a non-standard spacing and proration unit and compulsory pooling, together with a proposed advertisement. Please set this matter for the June 14, 2018 Examiner hearing. Thank you.

Case 16212

Very truly yours,

James Bruce

Attorney for Matador Production Company

## Parties Being Pooled

Centennial Resource Development, Inc. Suite 1800 1001 Seventeenth Street Denver, Colorado 80202

## BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR A NON-STANDARD SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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Case No. 16212

## **APPLICATION**

Matador Production Company applies for an order (i) approving a 160-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the E½E½ of Section 7, Township 22 South, Range 35 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico, and (ii) pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the non-standard unit, and in support thereof, states:

- 1. Applicant is an operator in the E½E½ of Section 7, and has the right to drill a well thereon.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill the Gains Baty State Com. Well No. 114H to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation. Applicant seeks to dedicate the E½E½ of Section 7 to the well to form a non-standard 160-acre oil spacing and proration unit (project area) in the Bone Spring formation. The well is a horizontal well with a surface location in the NE¼NE¼, and a terminus in the SE¼SE¼, of Section 7. The producing interval will be orthodox.
- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to obtain the voluntary joinder of all other mineral interest owners in the E½E½ of Section 7 for the purposes set forth herein.
- 4. Although applicant attempted to obtain voluntary agreements from all mineral interest owners to participate in the drilling of the well or to otherwise commit their interests to the well, certain interest owners have failed or refused to join in dedicating their interests.

Therefore, applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interest owners in the Bone Spring formation underlying the E½E½ of Section 7, pursuant to NMSA 1978 §§70-2-17, 18.

5. Approval of the non-standard unit, and the pooling of all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the E½E½ of Section 7, will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, applicant requests that, after notice and hearing, the Division enter its order:

- A. Approving a non-standard oil spacing and proration unit (project area) in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the E½E½ of Section 7;
- B. Pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the E½E½ of Section 7;
- C. Designating applicant as operator of the well;

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- D. Considering the cost of drilling and completing the well, and allocating the costs among the well's working interest owners;
- E. Approving actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure; and
- F. 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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