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

APPLICATION OF HILCORP ENERGY COMPANY FOR AN EXCEPTION TO THE WELL DENSITY REQUIREMENTS OF THE SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE AZTEC-PICTURED CLIFFS GAS POOL, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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CASE NO. 16223

HILCORP'S PREHEARING STATEMENT

Hilcorp Energy Company, ("Hilcorp") (OGRID No. 372171), through its undersigned counsel, hereby submits this Consolidated Pre-Hearing Statement for the above referenced matters scheduled for hearing before the Division Examiners on June 14, 2018.

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STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Hilcorp is the operator of a non-standard 205.08-acre, more or less, spacing and proration unit, comprised of Lots 1-3 and the SE/4 SW/4 and S/2 SE/4 of irregular Section 8, Township 28 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, which is currently dedicated to the Reid 11 Well (API No. 30-045-07536) and is producing from the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool. The Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool is governed by Special Rules and Regulations, which provide for 160-acre spacing and proration units. *See* Order No. R-1670, effective April 13, 1960.

Hilcorp is also the operator of the following two wells:

- a. the **Reid 22M Well** (API No. 30-045-35359), which has a surface location 990 feet from the south line, 915 feet from the west line (Unit M) and a bottom hole location 762 feet from the south line, 1918 feet from the west line of Section 8, Township 28 North, Range 9 West, and is currently producing from the Blanco-Mesaverde, Basin Mancos, and Basin Dakota Gas Pools; and
- b. the **Jackson Com 1E Well** (API No. 30-045-25592), which has a surface and bottom hole location 1690 feet from the south line, 30 feet from the east line (Lot 1) of Section 8, Township 28 North, Range 9 West, and is currently producing from the Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin Dakota Gas Pools.

Hilcorp now proposes to recomplete the **Reid 22M Well** and the **Jackson Com 1E Well** in the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool and dedicate and these wells to the 205.08-acre spacing and proration unit currently dedicated to the Reid 11 Well (API No. 30-045-07536). Hilcorp,

therefore, requests that the Division enter an order granting an exception to the well density requirements of the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool.

APPLICANT'S PROPOSED EVIDENCE

WITNESS Name and Expertise	ESTIMATED TIME	EXHIBITS
Wyn McCubbin, Landman	Approx. 20	Approx. 5
Eddie Pippin, Geology	Approx. 20	Approx. 8
James Osborn, Reservoir Engineer	Approx. 20	Approx. 8

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Hilcorp respectfully requests that Case Nos. 16222 through 16227 be consolidated for purposes of presenting testimony at hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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