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

2006 JUN 15

APPLICATION OF THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION,
THROUGH THE ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE MANAGER, FOR AN ORDER REQUIRING CBS OPERATING CORP. TO BRING INACTIVE WELLS INTO COMPLIANCE WITH 19.15.4.201 NMAC; AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION TO PLUG THE WELLS AND FORFEIT THE APPLICABLE SECURITY IN THE EVENT THE OPERATOR FAILS TO COMPLY; AND ASSESSING AN APPROPRIATE CIVIL PENALTY; EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 13721

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE AND PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This entry of appearance and pre-hearing statement is submitted by the Applicant, the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES

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STATEMENT OF THE CASE

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) moves for an order requiring CBS Operating Corp. to bring 34 inactive wells into compliance with Rule 201 by a date certain and, if the operator fails to comply, assessing a civil penalty and authorizing the Division to plug the wells and forfeit the applicable security.

APPLICANT'S PROPOSED EVIDENCE

WITNESS:

ESTIMATED TIME:

1. Daniel Sanchez, Enforcement and Compliance Manager

20 min.

- 2. Dorothy Phillips, Financial Assurance Administrator 3. Van Barton, OCD District 2
- 4. Tim Gum, OCD District 2 5. Gerry Guye, OCD District 2

(by affidavit) 10 minutes 10 minutes 45 minutes

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PROCEDURAL MATTERS

The OCD has one other compliance case pending against CBS Operating Corp.: Case No. 13720. The OCD respectfully suggests that the cases be heard concurrently, as the evidence in both cases will overlap. The time estimates given above assume the cases are heard together.

> Respectfully submitted this 15th day of June 2006 by

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that on June 15, 2006, I served a copy of this pre-hearing statement on Mr. William F. Carr, attorney for CBS Operating Corp, by electronic mail (wcarr@hollandhart.com), and on Trinity Universal Insurance Co. by first class mail to the following address:

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