# **BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND** NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

## APPLICATION OF OXY USA WTP LIMITED PARTNERSHIP FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**CASE NO. 13813** 

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ) ss. COUNTY OF SANTA FE

William F. Carr, attorney in fact and authorized representative of OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership, the Applicant herein, states that notice of the above-referenced Application was mailed to the interested parties shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto in accordance with Oil Conservation Division Rules, and that true and correct copies of the notice letter and proof of notice are attached hereto

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this day of October 2006.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

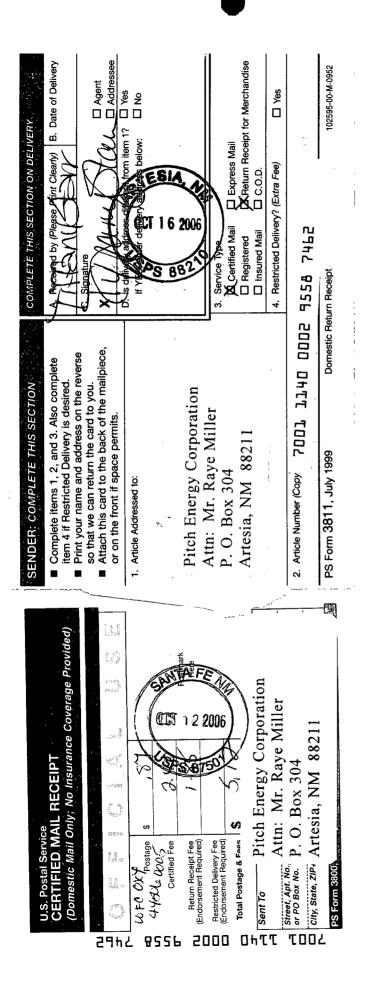
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#### EXHIBIT A

### APPLICATION OF OXY USA WTP LIMITED PARTNERSHIP. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING S/2 OF SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, N.M.P.M. Eddy COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. Attn :Mr Steve Emery 1111 South Wilcrest Houston, Texas 77009

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. Post Office Box 36366 Houston, Texas 77236 Mr. Steve Emery

ConocoPhillips Company PO BOX 2197 Houston, TX 77252-2197 Attention Mr. Gregory D. Fuzzell

Marbob Energy Corporation P.O. Box 227 Artesia, New Mexico 88211 Attention: Mr. Raye Miller

Pitch Energy Corporation P.O. Box 304 Artesia, New Mexico Attention: Mr. Raye Miller

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William F. Carr wcarr@hollandhart.com

October 10, 2006

## <u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

#### **TO AFFECTED INTEREST OWNERS:**

Re: Application of OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is to advise you that OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division seeking the compulsory pooling of all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation in certain spacing and proration units located in the S/2 of Section 9, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico. OXY proposes to dedicate these pooled units to its Oxy Flameskimmer State Well No. 1 to be drilled at a standard gas well location 1650 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit K) of said Section 9 to test all formations from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation.

This application has been set for hearing before a Division Examiner on November 9, 2006. You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging the matter at a later date.

Parties appearing in cases are required by Division Rule 1208.B to file a Pre-Hearing Statement with the Oil Conservation Division's Santa Fe office located at 1220 South Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, four days in advance of a scheduled hearing, but at least on the Thursday preceding the hearing. This statement must include: the names of the parties and their attorneys; a concise statement of the case; the names of all witnesses the party will call to testify at the hearing; the approximate time the party will need to present its case; and identification of any procedural matters that are to be resolved prior to the hearing.

Verv truly yours, Usu

William F. Carr cc: David Evans

Holland & Hart LEP Phone [505] 988-4421 Fax [505] 983-6043 www.hollandhart.com 110 North Guadalupe Suite 1 Santa Fe, NM 87501 Mailing Address P.O. Box 2208 Santa Fe, NM 87504-2208 Aspen Billings Boise Boulder Cheyenne Colorado Springs Denver Denver Tech Center Jackson Hole Salt Lake City Santa Fe Washington, D.C. 🗘

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

#### IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OXY USA WTP LIMITED PARTNERSHIP COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO.\_\_\_\_

#### **APPLICATION**

OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership, ("OXY") through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, §70-2-17, for an order pooling all mineral interests in all formations from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation in the following described spacing and proration units located in the S/2 of Section 9, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico: the S/2 for all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated South Empire-Morrow Gas Pool and the Undesignated North Grayburg-Atoka Gas Pool; and the SW/4 for all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing and support of its application states:

1. OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership is a working interest owner in the S/2 of said Section 9 and has the right to drill thereon.

2. OXY proposes to dedicate the above-referenced spacing or proration units to its Oxy Flameskimmer State Well No. 1 to be drilled at a standard gas well location 1650 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit K) of said Section 9, to an approximate depth of 11,000 feet to test any and all formations from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation.

3. OXY has sought and been unable to obtain a voluntary agreement for the development of these lands from certain interest owners in the subject spacing units who are identified on Exhibit A to this application.

4. Said pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste and will protect correlative rights.

5. In order to permit OXY to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, all mineral interests should be pooled, and OXY USA WPT Limited Partnership should be designated the operator of the well to be drilled.

WHEREFORE, OXY WTP Limited Partnership requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on November 9, 2006 and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order:

A. pooling all mineral interests in the subject spacing and proration units,

- B. designating OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership operator of these units and the well to be drilled thereon,
- C. authorizing OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the well,
- D. approving the actual operating charges and costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures, and
- E. imposing a penalty for the risk assumed by OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership in drilling and completing the well against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of the well.

Respectfully submitted, HOLLAND & HART LLP

By:

WILLIAM F. CARR Post Office Box 2208 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504 Telephone: (505) 988-4421

ATTORNEYS FOR OXY USA WTP LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

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Application of OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership for CASE : compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation in the following described spacing and proration units located in the S/2 of Section 9, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico: the S/2 for all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated South Empire-Morrow Gas Pool and the Undesignated North Grayburg-Atoka Gas Pool; and the SW/4 for all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing. OXY proposes to dedicate the above-referenced spacing or proration units to its Oxy Flameskimmer State Well No. 1 to be drilled at a standard gas well location 1650 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit K) of said Section 9. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 5 miles west of Loco Hill, New Mexico.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO

County of Eddy:

Gary D. Scott

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 Notary Public, Eddy County, New Mexico

My Commission expires

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the Division of the following public hearing to be

held at 8:15 A.M. on November 9, 2006, in the **Oil Conservation Division** Hearing Room at 1220 South St. Francis, Santa Fe, New Mexico, before an examiner duly appoint for the hearing. If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, gulified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing, please contact: Florene Davidson at 505-476-3458 or through the New Mexico Relay Network 1-800-659-1779 by October 30, 2006. Public documents including the agenda and minutes, can be provided in various accessible forms. Please contact Florene Davidson if a summary or other type of accessible form is needed. STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: **named parties and** persons having any right, title, interest or claim in the following es and notice to the public.

> NOTICE OF PUBLICATION STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT **OIL CONSERVATION** DIVISION SANTA FE NEW MEXICO State of New The. Mexico through its Oil. Conservation Division hereby gives notice pursuant to law and the **Rules and Regulations of**

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Given under the Seal of the State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico on this 12th day of October 2006.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Mark E. Fesmire, P.E., Director Published in the Artesia Daily Press, Artesia, N.M. October 15, 2006. Legal 19455

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