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

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

APPLICATION OF NEARBURG EXPLORATION COMPANY, L.L.C. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 13,967 (reopened)

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by applicant as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES

APPLICANT

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OPPONENT

OPPONENT'S ATTORNEY

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

APPLICANT

Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Abo formation underlying the SW/4SW/4 of Section 30, Township 16 South, Range 39 East, NMPM, to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations or pools developed on 40-acre spacing within that vertical extent. The unit is to be dedicated to the Cone 30 Fee Well No. 1, located at an orthodox location in the SW/4SW/4 of Section 30. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Nearburg Producing Company as operator of the proposed well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well.

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EXHIBITS

THE CASE WILL BE PRESENTED BY AFFIDAVIT. This case was previously presented, and pooling to the base of the <u>Drinkard</u> was requested. Applicant requests that pooling to the base of the Abo formation be granted.

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EXHIBITS

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

-None-

Respectfully submitted,

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