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#### HAND DELIVERED

Mr. Mark E. Fesmire, Director Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Case 14019

Re: Application of Pro NM Energy, Inc. for Compulsory Pooling San Juan County, New Mexico Gracia Federal 18-I Well No. 1 (API #30-045-32857) Unit I of Section 18 Dedication E/2 for Basin Fruitland Coal-Gas

> Gracia Federal 18-I Well No. 1S (API #30-045-33868) Unit B of Section 18, T26N R11W Dedication of E/2 Section 18 for Basin Fruitland Coal-Gas

Dear Mr. Fesmire:

On behalf of Pro NM Energy, Inc., enclosed for filing is our referenced application to be set for hearing on November 1, 2007.

Very truly yours Thomas Kellahin

cc: Pro NM Energy Inc. Attn: Gene Gallegos

CASE 1901 Application of Pro NM Energy Inc. for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Fruitland formation underlying the following described acreage in Section 18, T26N, R11W, NMPM, in the following manner: the E/2 to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre gas spacing within that vertical extent, including the Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, to be dedicated to its Gracia Federal 18-I Well No. 1 (API#30-045-32857) drilled in Unit I and Gracia Federal 18-I Well No 1S (API#30-045-33468) drilled in Unit B both in this section. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling and completing these wells and the allocation of the costs thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of the applicant as the operator of these wells and a 200% charge for risk involved in these wells. These units are located approximately 3 miles northwest of the Huerfano Chapter House, New Mexico. IN THE ABSENCE OF OBJECTION. THIS CASE WILL BE TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT.

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

## IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF PRO NM ENERGY, INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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CASE NO. <u>140/94</u> D

#### APPLICATION

Comes now PRO NM ENERGY, INC. ("PRONM") by its attorneys, Kellahin & Kellahin, and in accordance with Section 70-2-17(c) NMSA (1978), applies to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the of the Fruitland formation underlying the following described acreage in Section 18, T26N, R11W, NMPM, in the following manner: the E/2 to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre gas spacing within that vertical extent, including the Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, to be dedicated to its Gracia Federal 18-I Well No. 1 (API#30-045-32857) drilled in Unit I and Gracia Federal 18-I Well No 1S (API#30-045-33468) drilled in Unit B both in this section. Also to be considered will be the costs of drilling and completing these wells and the allocation of the applicant as the operator of these wells and a 200% charge for risk involved in these wells.

In support of its application, Pro NM Energy, Inc. ("PRONM") states:

- 1. PRONM has the right to drill and develop the oil and gas minerals from the surface to the base of the Fruitlandformation underlying the E/2 of Section 18, T26N, R11W, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- 2. PRONM has proposed that the E/2 of this section be dedicated as a standard 320acre gas spacing unit for production from the Fruitland coal-gas formation from its proposed Gracia Federal 18I Well No. 1 that was drilled located in Unit I of Section 18 as shown on Forms C-l02 attached as Exhibit "A"
- 2. In addition, PRONM has proposed that the E/2 of this section be to dedicated as a standard 320-acre gas spacing unit for production from the Fruitland coal-gas formation to be obtained from its "infill well" the proposed Gracia Federal 18I Well No. 1S that was drilled located in Unit B of Section 18 as shown on Form C-102 attached as Exhibit "B"

3. The working interest owners in the E/2 of this section are as follows:

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PRONM =18.75%; Dugan Production Corp = 25%; Chevron USA, Inc. = 25%; XTO Energy Inc = 6.25%; Sherman Dugan = 5%; Jim Jacobs =5%; F.L. Crane =5%; Tommy Robert = 5% and Dorothy Winer =5%

- 4. With the exception of Chevron USA Inc., all the working interest owners has signed PRO NM's joint operating agreement with XTO Energy Inc. participating and with the other electing to "go non-consent."
- 5. By letter dated July 19, 2004, PRONM proposed these wells to Chevron and since then has been attempting to obtain the voluntary agreement of Chevron. Despite its efforts, PRONM has not been able to obtain a written voluntary agreement from Chevron USA, Inc. and has been notified by Chevron to file a compulsory pooling application.
- 4. Pursuant to Section 70-2-17(c) NMSA (1978) and in order to obtain its just and equitable share of potential production underlying this spacing unit, the applicant needs an order of the Division pooling the identified and described mineral interests on Chevron USA Inc. in order to protect correlative rights and prevent waste.
- 5. Pursuant to Commission Order R-11992, effective August 15, 2003, PRONM requests that a 200% risk charge be applied.
- 6. In accordance with the Division's notice requirements, a copy of this application has been sent to the party whose interest are to be pooled and whose current addresses are known as listed on Exhibit "C" of the applicant's request for a hearing of this matter before the Division on the next available Examiner's docket now scheduled for November 1, 2007.

WHEREFORE, PRONM, as applicant, requests that this application be set for hearing on November 1, 2007 before the Division's duly appointed examiner, and that after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order pooling the mineral interest described in the appropriate spacing unit for the drilling of this well location upon terms and conditions which include:

(1) Pro NM Energy, Inc. be named operator;

(2) Provisions for applicant and all working interest owners to participate in the costs of drilling, completing, equipping and operating the well;

(3) In the event a working interest owner fails to elect to participate, then provision be made to recover out of production, the costs of the drilling, completing, equipping and operating the well, including a risk factor charge of 200%;

(4) Provision for overhead rates per month drilling and per month operating and a provision providing for an adjustment method of the overhead rates as provided by COPAS;

(5) For such other and further relief as may be proper.

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**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:** W. THÓMAS KELLAHIN KELLAHIN & KELLAHIN

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□ AMENDED REPORT

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Exhibit "C"

NOTICE LIST

Chevron USA, Inc. 1111 S. Wilcret Houston, TX 77099 Attn: Larry Angle