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

APPLICATION OF PARALLEL PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 13,960 (Reopened)

### **VERIFIED STATEMENT OF DENNIS J. HOPKINS**

Dennis J. Hopkins, CPL, being duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and states:

- 1. I am a landman for Parallel Petroleum Corporation, and have personal knowledge of the matters stated herein.
- 2. Pursuant to Division Rule 1210.A(1), the following information is submitted in support of the compulsory pooling application filed herein:
  - (a) No opposition is expected because the interest owner being pooled has been contacted regarding the proposed well, and various other wells drilled by applicant, and has simply failed to respond to well proposals.
  - (b) A plat outlining the spacing unit being pooled is attached hereto as Exhibit A. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Wolfcamp formation underlying the S/2 of Section 9, Township 15 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for all formations developed on 320 acre spacing within that vertical extent, including the Undesignated Walnut Creek-Wolfcamp Gas Pool.

The unit is to be dedicated to the War Emblem 1525-9 Fed. Com. Well No. 1H, drilled at a surface location 1880 feet from the south line and 190 feet from the east line of Section 8, Township 15 South, Range 25 East, N.M.P.M., with a penetration point 1880 feet from the south line and 660 feet from the west line of Section 9 and a terminus 1880 feet from the south line and 660 feet from the east line of Section 9. The well was completed as a gas well.

(c) The party being pooled, its working interest in the well unit, and its last known address, are as follows:

New Mexico Department of Transportation P.O. Box 1149 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

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Case No. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
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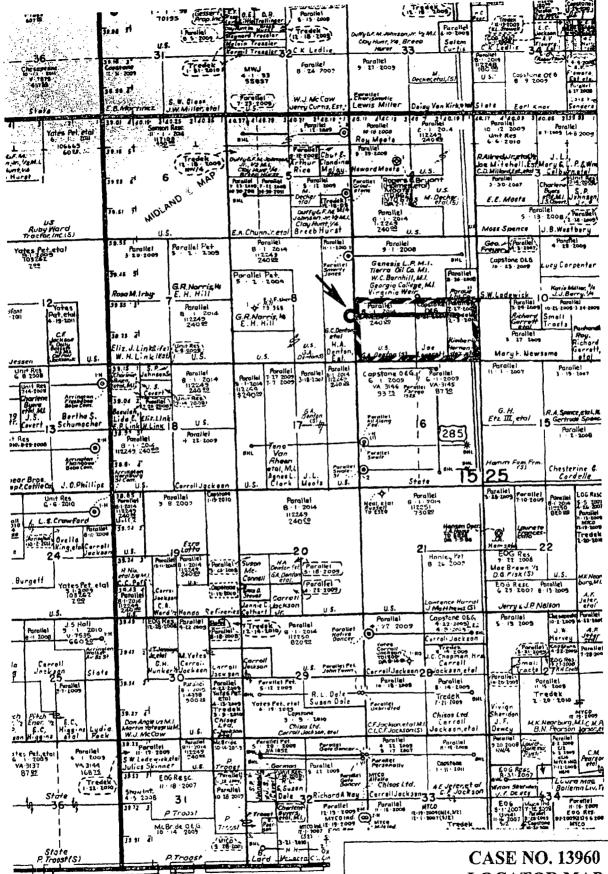
A listing of all interest owners in the well unit is attached as Exhibit B.

- (d) A copy of the proposal letter sent to the uncommitted working interest owner is attached hereto as Exhibit C. Applicant has made a good faith effort to obtain the voluntary joinder of the interest owners in the well unit.
- (e) Pursuant to Division rules, applicant requests that a 200% risk charge be assessed against the non-consenting interest owner.
- (f) A copy of the Authority for Expenditure for the proposed well is attached hereto as Exhibit D. The drilling and completion costs set forth therein are fair and reasonable, and are comparable to those of other wells of this depth drilled in this area of Chaves County.
- (g) Overhead charges of \$5,000.00/month for a drilling well, and \$500.00/month for a producing well, are requested. These rates are fair and reasonable, and are in line with rates charged by other operators in this area for wells of this depth. Applicant also requests that the order contain a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure.
- (h) Applicant requests that it be designated operator of the well.

#### **VERIFICATION**

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landman for Parallel Petro behalf; he has read the fore	leum Corporation; he is au	is oath, deposes and states that: He is a athorized to make this verification on its is the contents thereof; and the same is true and belief.
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My Commission Expires January 03, 2012



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CASE NO. 13960
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T-15-S, R-25-E, NMPM
SECTION 9: S/2
CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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MICHAEL M. GRAY

#### **CERTIFIED MAIL**

New Mexico Department of Transportation P. O. Box 1149
Santa Fe, NM 87504-1149

Attention: Secretary Rhonda G. Faught

Re: War Emblem 1525-9 No. 1 Well

Township 15 South, Range 25 East

Section 9: S/2

Chaves County, New Mexico

Dear Secretary Faught:

According to the records of Chaves County, New Mexico, the New Mexico State Highway Commission appears to be the owner of the minerals underlying the following lands in Section 9,T15S, R25E, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico:

a 12.022 acre tract of land more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the easterly right of way line of NMP F-023-2(6), County of Chaves, State of New Mexico; a point on the southerly line of Section 9, said point bears westerly along said southerly line a distance of 219.43 feet from the southeasterly corner of said Section 9; THENCE north 1 degree 41 minutes west along said easterly right of way line a distance of 2,618.97 feet to a point on the latitudinal ¼ line of Section 9; THENCE westerly along said Latitudinal ¼ line a distance of 200.1 feet to a point on the westerly right of way line of NMP F-023-2(6); THENCE south 1 degree 41 minutes east along said westerly right of way line a distance of 2,618.03 feet to a point on the southerly line of Section 9; THENCE easterly along said southerly section line of Section 9, a distance of 200.14 feet to the point and place of beginning.

Parallel Petroleum Corporation proposes the drilling of the War Emblem 1525-9 No. 1 Well to horizontally test the Wolfcamp formation in the S/2 of Section 9, 15S-25E, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico. An Authority for

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Expenditure, estimating the cost (\$2,317,500.00) of the proposed well is enclosed. The Authority for Expenditure is an estimate and actual costs could be more or less the amount estimated. Under the rules of the Oil Conservation Division of the State of New Mexico, the proration unit for this well will be comprised of the 320 acres constituting the S/2 of Section 9. Your mineral interest represents 3.756875% of the proration unit. Your estimated proportionate cost, if you elect to participate in the well, will be \$87,066.00.

The War Emblem 1525-9 No. 1 Well will be commenced at on off-unit location, 1880' from the south line and 190' from the east line of Section 8, T15S, R25E, and will be drilled to an approximate vertical depth of 5,250'. The well is then projected to be drilled horizontally, 4,150', to a terminus approximately 1,880' from the south line and 660' from the east line of Section 9. The well is projected to penetrate the Wolfcamp formation at 1880' from the south line and 660' from the west line of Section 9.

If you desire to participate for your interest in this well, please signify your intention to join in the well by executing and returning one copy of the enclosed Authority for Expenditure to the letterhead address.

We would like to acquire an Oil and Gas Lease from the Department. Previous attempts to determine the method for acquiring an Oil and Gas Lease from the Department have led to dead ends. If there is a statutory method allowing the acquisition of oil and gas leases from the Department of Transportation, please advise us.

If you have any questions please contact me at the letterhead address or phone number.

Yours truly,

Michael M. Gray

Land Manager, New Mexico

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SENDER COMPLETE THIS SECTION A. Signature Complete items 1, 2, and 3. Also complete item 4 if Restricted Delivery is desired. ☐ Agent ■ Print your name and address on the reverse ☐ Addres so that we can return the card to you. C. Date of Delivery B. Received by (Printed Name) Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits. D. Is delivery address different from item 1? ☐ Yes 1. Article Addressed to: If YES, enter delivery address below: NEW MEXICO DEFT. OF TRANS BOX 1149 SANTA FE, AM 87504-1149 3. Service Type Certified Mall ☐ Express Mail ☐ Return Receipt for Merchandise ☐ Registered Insured Mail □ C.O.D. WAR EMBLEM 1525-9 #/ 4. Restricted Delivery? (Extra Fee) ☐ Yes 2. Article Number 7006 0100 0001 2440 4618 (Transfer from service label) PS Form 3811, February 2004 Domestic Return Receipt 102595-02-M-1540 U.S. Postal Service GERNIFIED MAILEREGEIDT Certified Fee **Postmark** Return Receipt Fee (Endorsement Required) Here Restricted Delivery Fee Complete items 1, 2, and 3 Also complete item 4 if Restricted Delivery is desired Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you.

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