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:

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION OF CHEVRON U.SA., INC. FOR QUALIFICATION OF THE VACUUM GRAYBURG-SAN ANDRES UNIT PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT FOR THE RECOVERED OIL TAX RATE PURSUANT TO THE ENHANCED OIL RECOVERYACT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. MECEIVED 3 28

Case 14139

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Pre-Hearing Statement is submitted by Holland & Hart LLP as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

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Applicant seeks to qualify the Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres Unit Tertiary Recovery Project for the recovered oil tax rate pursuant to the "New Mexico Enhanced Oil Recovery Act" (Laws 1992, Chapter 38, Sections 1 through 5). The Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres Unit Tertiary Recovery Project encompasses portions of Section 35 of Township 17 South, Range 34 East and portions of Sections 1, 2, 11 and 12 of Township 18 South Range 34 East, N.M.P.M. Said unit is located approximately 22 miles northwest of Hobbs, New Mexico.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES

ESTIMATED TIME

EXHIBITS

By Affidavit

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Pursuant to Division policy Chevron USA will present this case by Affidavit.

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