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 APACHE CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 14,383

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

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

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STATEMENT OF THE CASE

APPLICANT

Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Drinkard formation underlying the SW/4NW/4 of Section 11, Township 20 South, Range 38 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, including the House-Blinebry Pool and House-Tubb Pool. The unit will be dedicated to the Magnolia Well No. 3, to be drilled at an orthodox oil well location in the SW/4NW/4 of Section 11. 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 applicant as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well.

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PROCEDURAL MATTERS

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