

March 26, 2009

Ms. Florene Davidson New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

Re: In the Matter of the Application of Chesapeake Operating, Inc. for Special Rules and Regulations for the Lost Tank Delaware Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, NMOCD Case No. 14301

Dear Ms. Davidson:

Attached for filing are originals and two copies of (1) an Entry of Appearance and (2) a Pre-Hearing Statement in the above-referenced matter. I have included extra copies to be conformed.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Karen Williams

Karen Williams Assistant to J. Scott Hall

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE OPERATING, INC. FOR SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE LOST TANK DELAWARE POOL, LEA COUNTY NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 14301

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Comes now OXY USA, Inc., by and through its undersigned attorneys,

Montgomery & Andrews, P.A., (J. Scott Hall) and hereby enters its appearance in the above matter.

MONTGOMERY & ANDREWS, P.A.

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was faxed to counsel of record on the 26th day of March, 2009 as follows:

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PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Pre-Hearing Statement is submitted by Montgomery and Andrews, P.A.

(J. Scott Hall) on behalf of Oxy USA, Inc., as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES

APPLICANT'S ATTORNEY

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APPLICANT

Chesapeake Operating, Inc.

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OPPONENT'S ATTORNEY

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OTHER PARTY'S ATTORNEY

OTHER PARTY

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

APPLICANT

Applicant seeks establishment of special rules and regulations for the Lost Tank Delaware Pool, including a special depth bracket allowable of 400 barrels of oil per day and a limiting gas:oil ratio of 2000 cubic feet of gas for each barrel of oil produced, effective January 1, 2009. The pool is located in Sections 24, 25, 34, 36 and 36 of Township 21 South, Range 31 East; Sections 17, 18, 19, 30 and 31 of Township 21 South, Range 32 East; Sections 1 and 2, Township 22 South, Range 31 East; and Section 6, Township 22 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County.

OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY

Oxy USA, Inc. is an operator and/or interest owner in the vicinity of the lands that are the subject of the Application and is therefore an affected party.

Oxy USA, Inc. reserves the right to examine Applicant's witnesses and to call its own witnesses and present evidence.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT WITNESSES

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NO. OF EXHIBITS

OPPOSITION WITNESSES

None.

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PROCEDURAL MATTERS

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