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Re: In the Matter of the Application of COG Operating, LLC for Authorization to Conduct Injection Operations for Evaluation for Secondary Recovery Operations, Eddy County, New Mexico, NMOCD Case No. 14456

Dear Ms. Davidson:

Attached for filing is an original and one copy of an Application in the abovereferenced matter. I have included an extra copy to be conformed.

Please set this matter for hearing on April 1, 2010. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Karen William

Karen Williams Assistant to J. Scott Hall

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

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF COG OPERATING, LLC FOR AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT INJECTION OPERATIONS FOR EVALUATION FOR SECONDARY RECOVERY OPERATIONS, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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CASE NO. 14456

## **APPLICATION**

COG Operating, LLC, ("COG"), through its undersigned counsel, Montgomery and Andrews, P.A. (J. Scott Hall, Esq.), applies pursuant to 19.15.26.8 NMAC for an order authorizing the injection of water into the Paddock and Blinebry members of the Glorieta-Yeso formation, Empire East Yeso Pool (96610) in Eddy County, New Mexico. In support of its Application, COG states:

1. Applicant is the operator of the following well:

Mesquite State No. 15 API No. 30-015-34496 1750' FSL & 990' FWL (Unit L) Section 20 T-17-S, R-29-E, NMPM Eddy County, New Mexico

2. Mesquite State No. 15 well is drilled to a total depth of 5415' and was originally operated as a producing oil well. COG proposes to convert and utilize the wells for injection of water through a closed system into the Paddock and Blinebry formations, Empire East Yeso Pool, through perforations within the depths of 3,873' to 4,214' (Paddock) and 4,336' to 5,289' (Blinebry). Data from injection will be utilized to evaluate the feasibility of secondary recovery operations in the referenced formations.

3. Injection operations through the well will be conducted at an anticipated average daily injection pressure of 2,000 psi with a maximum surface injection pressure of 2,000 psi or as permitted by the Division, in excess of a 0.2 psi/ft. gradient. Applicant proposes injection of water at average daily rates of approximately 1,000 bbls and at maximum daily rates of approximately 2,000 bbls. The source of the injected fluids will be formation water from production wells that have been drilled and are scheduled to be drilled in the area.

4. Applicant's proposed injection operation can be conducted in a safe and responsible manner without causing waste, impairing correlative rights or endangering fresh water, public health or the environment.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this Application be set for hearing before a duly appointed examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on April 1, 2010 and that after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its Order approving the conversion of the Mesquite State No. 15 Well for the injection of water into the Paddock and Blinebry members of the Glorieta-Yeso formation at the intervals and at the pressures, volumes and rates indicated, and making such other and further provisions as the Division determines appropriate.

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Case No. <u>14456</u>; Application of COG Operating, LLC for authorization to conduct injection operations for evaluation for secondary recovery operations, Eddy County, New Mexico () Applicant seeks approval to convert the following well for the injection: NEUEW ()

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