

**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 CHESAPEAKE EXPLORATION, LLC DOING BUSINESS
AS CHESAPEAKE OPERATING, INC. FOR STATUTORY UNITIZATION OF
THE CHAMBERS STRAWN UNIT AREA, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

CASE NO. 14477

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Prehearing Statement is submitted by Holland & Hart LLP as required by Oil Conservation Division Rule 19.15.4.13.B NMAC:

APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

APPLICANT

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STATEMENT OF CASE

Applicant in the above-styled cause, seeks an order unitizing, for the purpose of establishing an enhanced recovery project, all mineral interest in the Strawn formation, Northeast Shoe Bar-Strawn Pool, underlying 480 acres, more or less, of fee lands in the following acreage:

TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST, NMPM

Section 7:	NE/4, NE/4 SE/4
Section 8:	NW/4 NW/4, S/2 NW/4, SW/4

Said unit to be designated the Chambers Strawn Unit. Among the matters to be considered at the hearing will be the necessity of unit operations; the designation of a unit operator; the designation of horizontal and vertical limits of the unit area; the determination of the fair, reasonable, and equitable allocation of production and costs of production, including capital investment, to each of the various tracts in the unit area; the

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determination of credits and charges to be made among the various owners in the unit area for their investment in wells and equipment and such other matters as may be necessary and appropriate for carrying on efficient unit operations; including but not limited to, unit voting procedures, selection, removal or substitution of unit operator, and time of commencement and termination of unit operations. Applicant also requests that any such order issued in this case include a non-consent penalty for risk to be charged against carried working interests within the unit area upon such terms and conditions to be determined by the Division as just and reasonable. Said Unit area is located approximately 1.5 miles Southwest of Lovington, New Mexico.

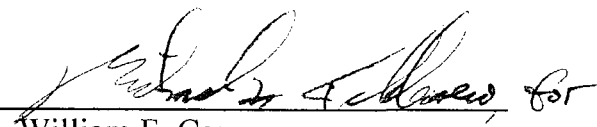
PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

<u>WITNESSES</u>	<u>EST. TIME</u>	<u>EXHIBITS</u>
Terry Frohnapfel (Land)	Approx. 20 Min.	Approx. 11
Chima Nzewunwah (Geology)	Approx. 15 Min.	Approx. 4
Everett Bradley (Engineer)	Approx. 20 Min.	Approx. 8

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Chesapeake Operating, Inc., will request that this case be consolidated for the purposes of hearing with Case 14478:

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