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Mark E. Fesmire, P.E. Director Oil Conservation Division New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department 1220 South Saint Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 Case 14574

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Re: Application of EOG Resources, Inc. for a non-standard spacing and proration unit and compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Fesmire:

Enclosed is the application of EOG Resources, Inc. in the above-referenced case as well as a copy of a legal advertisement. EOG Resources, Inc. requests that this matter be placed on the docket for the December 2, 2010 Examiner hearings.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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

## IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF EOG RESOURCES, INC. FOR A NON-STANDARD SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. <u>14574</u>

#### **APPLICATION**

EOG RESOURCES, INC., ("EOG") through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application to the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of N.M. Stat. Ann. § 70-2-17, for an order: (1) creating a non-standard spacing unit comprised of the S/2 N/2 of Section 1, Township 18 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, which will be the project area for the Sand Tank "1" Fed Com Well No. 4H and (2) pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Bone Spring formation in the following described project area located in the S/2 N/2 of Section 1, Township 18 South, Range 29 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico to form a 160-acre project area in the Bone Spring formation, Sand Tank Bone Spring Pool. In support of its application, EOG states:

1. EOG is a working interest owner in the S/2 N/2 of said Section 1 and has the right to drill thereon.

2. EOG proposes to dedicate the above-referenced spacing or proration units to its Sand Tank "1" Fed Com Well No. 4H to be drilled from a surface location 2250 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line (Unit H) and a bottomhole location 2200 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the West line (Unit E) of said Section 1.

3. EOG has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the development of these lands from certain working interest owners in the subject spacing unit. These owners are identified on <u>Exhibit A</u> to this application.

4. Said pooling of interests will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste and will protect correlative rights.

5. In order to permit EOG to obtain its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, all mineral interests should be pooled, and EOG Resources, Inc. should be designated the operator of the well to be drilled.

WHEREFORE, EOG Resources, Inc. requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on December 2, 2010 and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order:

- A. creating a non-standard spacing and proration unit in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the S/2 N/2 of Section 1, Township 18 South, Range 29 East, NMPM;
- B. pooling all mineral interests in the subject project area,
- C. designating EOG Resources, Inc. operator of this project area and the well to be drilled thereon,
- D. authorizing EOG Resources, Inc. to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the well,
- E. approving the actual operating charges and costs of supervision while drillingand after completion, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to

the COPAS accounting procedures, and

F. imposing a 200% penalty for the risk assumed by EOG Resources, Inc. in drilling and completing the well against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of the well.

Respectfully submitted, HOLLAND & HART LLP

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ATTORNEYS FOR EOG RESOURCES, INC.

## EXHIBIT A

### APPLICATION OF EOG RESOURCES, INC. FOR A NON-STANDARD SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT ANF COMPULSORY POOLING S/2 N/2 OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, N.M.P.M. EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### **Notification List for Pooling:**

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Susan Nishio, SSP 5613 Excalibur Place Columbus, OH 73235

David Najar, SSP c/o Elizabeth Najar, Guardian 827 N. Hawthorne Lane Indianapolis, IN 46219

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### Notification List for Non-Standard Spacing Unit:

Yates Petroleum Corporation 105 South Fourth Street Artesia, NM 88201

# CASE <u>14574</u>:

Application of EOG Resources, Inc. for a non-standard spacing and proration unit and compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New **Mexico.** Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order: (1) creating a non-standard spacing unit comprised of the S/2 N/2 of Section 1, Township 18 South, Range 29 East, NMPM and (2) pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Bone Spring formation, Sand Tank Bone Spring Pool in the nonstandard spacing unit which will be the project area for the Sand Tank "1" Fed Com No. 4H to be drilled from a surface location 2250 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line and a bottomhole location 2200 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the West line of said Section 1. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of EOG Resources, Inc. as operator of the well and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 4 miles southwest of Loco Hills, New Mexico.