BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF SANTA FE ENERGY RESOURCES, INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY NEW MEXICO

Case No. 11491

AFFIDAVIT REGARDING NOTICE

STATE	OF	NEW	MEXICO)	
COUNTY	OF	NEW	MEXICO)	SS

James Bruce, being duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and states:

- 1. I am over the age of 18, and have personal knowledge of the matters stated herein.
 - 2. I am an attorney for Applicant.
- 3. Applicant has conducted a good faith, diligent effort to find the names and correct addresses of the interest owners entitled to receive notice of the Application filed herein.
- 4. Notice of the Application was provided to the interest owner at its correct address by mailing it, by certified mail, a copy of the Application. Copies of the notice letter and certified return receipt are attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 5. Applicant has complied with the notice provisions of Division Rule 1207.

James Bruce

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this ____ day of April 1996, by James Bruce.

My Commisssion Expires:

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Attention: Leslyn Swierd

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Enclosed is an application for compulsory pooling filed at the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division by Santa Fe Energy Resources, Inc. regarding the N% of Section 20, Township 22 South, Range 28 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico. Santa Fe's records indicate that you own an interest in the proposed well unit. This matter has been scheduled for hearing on Thursday, March 21, 1996 at 8:15 a.m. at the Division's office at 2040 South Pacheco Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico. Failure to appear at that time will preclude you from contesting this matter at a later date.

Very truly yours,

HINKLE, COX, EATON, COFFIELD,

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APPLICATION

Santa Fe Energy Resources, Inc. hereby makes application for an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the N% of Section 20, Township 22 South, Range 28 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support thereof states:

- 1. Applicant is an interest owner and has the right to drill a well in N% of said Section 20.
- 2. Applicant proposes to drill its Foal Fed. Well No. 1 in Section 20, at an orthodox well location 660 feet from the North line and 1,980 feet from the West line of the Section, to a depth sufficient to test the Morrow formation (approximately 12,600 feet), and seeks to dedicate the following acreage to the well:
- (a) The N½ of Section 20 for all pools or formations spaced on 320 acres, including the Undesignated Dublin Ranch-Atoka Gas Pool, the Undesignated Dublin Ranch-Morrow Gas Pool, and the Undesignated Otis-Morrow Gas Pool;
- (b) The NW% of Section 20 for all pools or formations spaced on 160 acres; and
- (c) The NE½NW½ of Section 20 for all pools or formations spaced on 40 acres, including the Undesignated Indian Draw-Delaware Pool and the Undesignated Herradura Bend-Cherry Canyon Pool.

- 3. Applicant has in good faith sought to join all other mineral or leasehold interest owners in the N% of Section 20 for the purposes set forth herein.
- 4. Although Applicant attempted to obtain voluntary agreements from all mineral or leasehold interest owners to participate in the drilling of the well or to otherwise commit their interests to the well, certain interest owners have failed or refused to join in the well or otherwise dedicate their acreage to the well. Therefore, Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral or leasehold interest owners underlying the N% of Section 20, as described above, pursuant to N.M. Stat. Ann. § 70-2-17 (1995 Repl. Pamp.).
- 5. Applicant requests the Division to consider the cost of drilling and completing the well, the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision. Applicant requests that it be designated as operator of the well and that the Division set a penalty of 200% for the risk involved in drilling the well.
- 6. The pooling of all interests underlying the N½ of Section 20, as described above, will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that the Division grant the relief requested above.

Respectfully submitted,

HINKLE, COX, EATON, COFFIELD, & HENSLEY, L.L.P.

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