

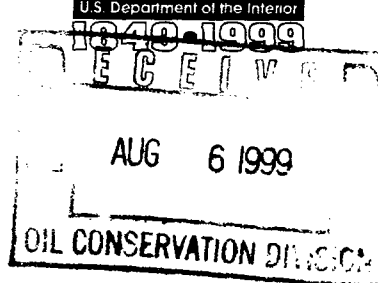


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Kellahin and Kellahin
Attention: W. Thomas Kellahin
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Re: NMOCD Case 12222
Application of Newbourne Oil Company
for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico

DR
FILE
12222

Dear Mr. Kellahin

This office is in receipt of your facsimile dated August 02, 1999, wherein you, acting as agent for Matador Petroleum Corporation (Matador), are requesting we review and comment on certain geologic information relating to lands in Section 18, T23S, R27E, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. Your letter states that the geologic information is from Matador and that you are requesting that this office make a final decision.

This office will appreciate any addition geologic information that can be provided by Matador relating to lands in Section 18, T23S, R27E. We will be happy to review and provide comments on that information as soon as it is received but, there is currently no action before us that requires a decision.

Be advised that Mr. Davaid Catanach, Hearing Examiner, New Mexico Oil Conservation Division has also requested our review and comment on this geologic data. We will also be providing our comments to him.

Please direct any additional questions to me at (505) 627-0250.

Sincerely,

/S/LARRY D. BRAY

Acting, Assistant Field Office Manager,
Lands and Minerals

cc:
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