### 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 MATADOR PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 12519

### **PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by MATADOR PETROLEUM CORPORATION, as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

#### APPEARANCE OF PARTIES

**APPLICANT** 

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#### STATEMENT OF CASE

Pursuant to Section 70-2-17(c) NMSA (1978) and in order to obtain its just and equitable share of potential production underlying this E/2 of Section 12, T21S, R34E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, Applicant needs an order of the Division pooling the identified and described mineral interests for various spacing units involved in order to protect correlative rights and prevent waste.

Applicant requests an order pooling the mineral interest of described in this spacing unit for the drilling of its Mary State Com Well No. 1 at a standard gas well location for potential production from the Morrow and other formations upon terms and conditions which include:

- (1) Matador Petroleum Corporation be named operator;
- (2) The order make provisions for applicant and all working interest owners to participate in the costs of drilling, completing, equipping and operating the well;
- (3) In the event a working interest owner fails to elect to participate, then provision be made to recover out of production, the costs of the drilling, completing, equipping and operating the well, including a risk factor penalty of 200%;
- (4) A provision for overhead rates and a method for adjusting those rates in accordance with COPAS accounting procedures;
- (5) For such other and further relief as may be proper.

## PROPOSED EVIDENCE

# **APPLICANT**:

WITNESSES	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
Mark Virant (land)	10 min.	@ 4 exhibits
Martin Emery (geologist)	15 Min.	@ 2 exhibits
Mike Wood (petroleum engineer)	10 Min.	@ 2 exhibits

# PROCEDURAL MATTERS

None anticipated at this time.

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