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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF STRATA PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO._/2646

APPLICATION

STRATA PRODUCTION COMPANY ("Strata"), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application pursuant to the provisions of N.M.Stat.Ann. § 70-2-17, (1978), for an order pooling all mineral interests in all formations developed on 160-acre spacing in the NW/4 of Section 15, Township 24 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico ("Spacing Unit"), and in support thereof states:

1. Strata is a working interest owner in the Spacing Unit and has the right to drill thereon.

2. Strata proposes to dedicate the Spacing Unit to its Buckeye No. 1 Well to be reentered at a standard location 660 from the north line and 1980 feet from the west line of Section 15, to a depth sufficient to test any and all formations down to the base of the Bone Spring Formation.

3. Strata has sought and has been unable to obtain either voluntary agreement for pooling or farmout from certain of its interest owners in the Spacing Unit identified at Exhibit A to this Application.

4. Strata has attempted to locate certain of the interest owners in the Spacing Unit identified at Exhibit A to this Application, but has been unable to locate such interest owners.

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