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Via Fax and U.S. Mail

Florene Davidson Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Dear Florene:

Enclosed for filing is a pre-hearing statement in Case No. 12757 de novo.

Very truly yours,

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

APPLICATION OF THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR AN ORDER REQUIRING MARKS AND GARNER PRODUCTION, LTD. CO. TO PROPERLY PLUG SEVENTEEN (17) WELLS, ETC., EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 12757 (de novo)
Order No. R-11753

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by Marks and Garner Production, Ltd. Co. as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

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STATEMENT OF THE CASE

APPLICANT

Applicant seeks an order authorizing the Division to plug certain wells, and assessing a penalty for false production reporting.

OPPONENT

Marks and Garner Production, Ltd. Co. asserts that (1) all wells have been brought into compliance but five, and it will plug those wells if the Division so desires, and (2) most of the subject wells were produced by swabbing, and therefore a penalty is not warranted.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

<u>WITNESSES</u> <u>EST. TIME</u> <u>EXHIBITS</u>

OPPONENT

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Link Marks 25 min. Four

Buddy Garner 10 min. Two

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

-None-

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing pleading was served upon the following counsel of record via facsimile transmission this transmission this day of July, 2002:

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