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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF McELVAIN OIL & GAS PROPERTIES, INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. **CASE NO. 12801**

02 JEN 22 AH 8: 03

APPLICANT'S PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Pre-hearing Statement is submitted by McElvain Oil & Gas Properties, Inc. ("McElvain") as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

APPLICANT

McElvain Oil & Gas Properties, Inc. 1050 17th Street, Suite 1800 Denver, Colorado 80265 303.893.0933

ATTORNEY

Michael H. Feldewert, Esq. Holland & Hart LLP Post Office Box 2208 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2208 505.988.4421

OPPONENT

D. J. Simmons, Inc.
Post Office Box 1469
Farmington, New Mexico 87401
505.326.3753

OPPONENT'S ATTORNEY

J. Scott Hall Miller, Stratvert & Torgerson, PA Post Office Box 1986 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504 505.989.9614

APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF CASE

McElvain seeks an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interests in all formations from the base of the Pictured Cliffs formation to the base of the Mesaverde formation underlying E/2 of Section 25, Township 25 North, Range 3 West, N.M.P.M. to form a standard 320-acre stand-up gas spacing and proration unit for all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within that vertical extent, which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to applicant's proposed Naomi Well No. 3 to be drilled at a standard location in the SE/4 of said Section 25. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. D.J. Simmons remains uncommitted to this project and has filed an entry of appearance in this matter.

APPLICANT'S PROPOSED EVIDENCE

(Name and expertise)	ESI. IIME	EXHIBI12
Mona Binion (Land)	15 Minutes	Approximately 5
John Steuble (Engineer)	10 Minutes	Approximately 3

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

D.J. Simmons has filed a motion to continue this case that is opposed by McElvain and is scheduled to be heard by the Division on January 22, 2002.

HOLLAND & HART, LLP

Michael H. Feldewert

Post Office Box 2208

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2208

505.988.4421

Attorney for McELVAIN OIL & GAS PROPERTIES, INC.

Pre-hearing Statement NMOCD Case No. 12801 Page 4

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on this 21st day of January, 2002, a true copy of the foregoing **Applicant's Pre-hearing Statement** was faxed to the following party:

J. Scott Hall, Esq.
Miller, Stratvert & Torgerson, PA
Post Office Box 1986
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504
Fax No.: 505.989.9857

Michael H. Feldewert