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## OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO

APPLICATION OF FRANKLIN, ASTON & FAIR, INC., FOR AN EXCEPTION TO THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER NO. R-3221, AS AMENDED, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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<u>A P P L I C A T I O N</u>

Comes now Franklin, Aston & Fair, Inc., and applies to the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico for an order granting an exception to the provisions of Commission Order No. R-3221, as amended, to permit the use of unlined surface pits for the disposal of produced water in the Loco Hills-Grayburg-San Andres Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, and in support thereof would show the Commission:

1. Applicant is the operator of the Coppedge Well No. 1-C located 1980 feet from the North line, and 660 feet from the East line of Section 5, Township 18 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico, which well has been recompleted for the production of oil from the San Andres formation.

2. Said well is producing approximately 30 barrels of water per day with the production from the Loco Hills-Grayburg-San Andres Pool.

3. Subject well is so located that there is no fresh water in the vicinity of said well for which a present or reasonably forseeable beneficial use is or will be made that would be contaminated from the use of unlined surface pits for water disposal, and there is no fresh water supply in the vicinity of the subject well and the water disposal pit to be used in conjunction therewith that would or could be contaminated or be subject to contamination by the use of unlined surface disposal pits. WHEREFORE Applicant prays that this application be set for hearing before the Commission or the Commission's duly appointed examiner, and that after notice and hearing as required by law, the Commission enter its order granting an exception to the provisions of Order No. R-3221 as prayed for.

> Respectfully submitted, FRANKLIN, ASTON & FAIR, INC.

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