BEFORE THE

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF HILLIARD OIL & GAS, INC., FOR ADOPTION OF POOL RULES, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

APPLICATION

COMES NOW HILLIARD OIL & GAS, INC., an applies to the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico for the adoption of pool rules for the development and operation of the EK-Bone Springs Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, including a provision for 80-acre spacing and proration units, with wells to be located in either forty-acre tract dedicated to the Well, and in support thereof would show the Commission:

- Applicant has completed its Hilliard Oil & Gas, Inc., McElvain Federal Well No. 1, located in Unit J of Section 30, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., for production from the Bone Springs formation. subject well is located 1980 feet from the South and East lines of the Section.
- 2. On the basis of information available from the drilling of this well, applicant believes that one well will efficiently and economically drain and develop not less than 80 acres, the formation being comparable to other areas where spacing has been established at 160 acres.

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- 3. Wells located on 80 acres in this pool will not be economical, and unless wider spacing is established, fewer wells will be drilled, resulting in the loss of oil that could otherwise be recovered.
- 4. The spacing proposed is in the interest of conservation and the prevention of waste, and will protect the correlative rights of all owners in the pool.
- 5. Because of the nature of the formation, well locations should be permitted in either forty-acre tract of the 80 acres dedicated to the well.

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 establishing temporary rules for the EK-Bone Springs Pool as requested, for a period of one year, until further reservoir information may be obtained.

Respectfully submitted,

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