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

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

CASE NO. 10570

M. J. J.

APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL TO QUALIFY A PORTION OF THE SOUTH EUNICE SEVEN RIVERS QUEEN UNIT WATERFLOOD PROJECT FOR THE RECOVERED OIL TAX RATE PURSUANT TO THE "NEW MEXICO ENHANCED OIL RECOVERY ACT", LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by MARATHON OIL COMPANY as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCE OF PARTIES

APPLICANT

ATTORNEY

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OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY

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See Opposition Filing, if any

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STATEMENT OF CASE

APPLICANT

Marathon Oil Company (Applicant) seeks an order pursuant to the Rules and Procedures for Qualification of the Enhanced Oil Recovery Projects and Certification for the Recovered Oil Tax Rate, as promulgated by Division Order No. R-9708, qualifying a portion of its South Eunice Seven Rivers Queen Unit Waterflood Project (authorized by Division Order No. R-4217), in Sections 35 and 36, Township 22 South, Range 36 East, South Eunice Seven Rivers-Queen Unit, South Eunice Seven Rivers-Queen Unit, South Eunice Seven Rivers-Queen Pool, for the recovered oil tax rate under the "Enhanced Oil Recovery Act" (Laws 1992, Chapter 38, Sections 1 through 5).

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PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
Michael Wiskofske Petroleum Engineer	30 Minutes	12 Exhibits
Eric Carlsen Geologist	20 Minutes	6 Exhibits

OPPOSITION

WITNESSES	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS

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PROCEDURAL MATTERS

None applicable at this time.

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