## 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:

CASE NO. 10639

APPLICATION OF AMERICAN HUNTER EXPLORATION, LTD. FOR AUTHORIZATION TO FLARE GAS AS AN EXCEPTION TO RULE 306 AND FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SPECIAL ALLOWABLE RATES, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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### **PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

This prehearing statement is submitted by William F. Carr, as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

#### APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

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OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY	ATTORNEY	
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contact person		

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#### STATEMENT OF CASE

#### <u>APPLICANT</u>

American Hunter Exploration, Ltd., Applicant, in the above-referenced cause, seeks an order authorizing it to flare gas from its Jicarilla 3-F Oil Well No. 1 located in the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 3, Township 27 North, Range 1 West, as an exception to Division Rule 306, for a maximum period of six months at a maximum rate of the lower of 800 barrels of oil per day or 800 MCF of gas per day, up to a maximum cumulative volume of 146 MMCF of gas flared or 146 thousand barrels of oil produced while flaring gas. This well is governed by rules for the West Puerto Chiquito-Mancos Oil Pool.

#### OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY

(Please make a concise statement of the basis for opposing this application or otherwise state the position of the party filing this statement.)

## PROPOSED EVIDENCE

# **APPLICANT**

WITNESSES (Name and expertise)	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
Jim Lister, Landman	15 Minutes	Approximately 5
Howard Anderson, Petroleum Engineer	30 Minutes	Approximately 2

# **OPPOSITION**

WITNESSES EST. TIME EXHIBITS (Name and expertise)

## PROCEDURAL MATTERS

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#### PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by BENSON-MONTIN-GREER DRILLING CORP. as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

#### APPEARANCE OF PARTIES

APPLICANT (name, address, phone and contact person)

ATTORNEY

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#### STATEMENT OF CASE

#### APPLICANT

(Please make a concise statement of what is being sought with this application and the reasons therefore.)

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#### OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY

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Benson-Montin-Greer Drilling Corp. opposes the applicant's request in this case because the applicant seeks approval to waste reservoir energy which could reduce ultimate recovery from the reservoir and violate correlative rights.

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#### PROPOSED EVIDENCE

### APPLICANT

WITNESSES EST. TIME EXHIBITS (name and expertise)

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#### **OPPOSITION**

WITNESSES EST. TIME EXHIBITS (name and expertise)

Al Greer Unknown at this time.

#### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

(Please identify any procedural matters which need to be resolved prior to the hearing)

None at this time.

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