STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENTED OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF PARKER DRILLING COMPANY FOR PRORATION AND SPECIAL POOL RULES FOR THE PITCHFORK RANCH-ATOKA GAS POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Case No. 9838

APPLICATION

COMES NOW the Applicant, Parker Drilling Company, and applies to the Division for special pool rules for the Pitchfork Ranch-Atoka Gas Pool. In support of its application, Parker Drilling Company states that:

- Applicant Parker Drilling Co. ("Parker") is a mineral interest owner in the Pitchfork Ranch Atoka Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico.
- 2. The Pitchfork Ranch-Atoka Gas Pool was created by New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Order R-7334 on September 1, 1983. The discovery well for this pool was the Pitchfork "34" Fed. Com. located in the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 34, Township 25 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- 3. The present boundaries of the Pitchfork Ranch-Atoka Gas
 Pool encompass the following acreage:

Township 24 South, Range 34 East

Section 28: S/2

Section 32: S/2

Section 33: All

Section 34: W/2

Township 25 South, Range 34 East

Section 3: NE/4, W/2

Section 4: All

Section 5: N/2

Section 10: N/2

- 4. The transporter and/or the purchaser of gas from the wells in the Pitchfork Ranch-Atoka Gas Pool is in each instance Transwestern Pipeline Company.
- 5. The wells in the Pitchfork Ranch-Atoka Gas Pool are in a common source of supply and are in pressure communication.
- 6. In order to prevent waste and in order to protect the correlative rights all interest owners in the Pitchfork Ranch-Atoka Gas Pool, it is necessary to regulate the production of gas from the wells in the pool through the adoption of special pool rules that institute gas prorationing for the pool, with allocation of allowable being accomplished on a surface acre basis.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that after notice and hearing:

- 1. The Division adopt the Special Pool Rules for the Pitchfork Ranch-Atoka Gas Pool to institute gas prorationing for the pool based on a surface acreage basis.
- 2. That the Division grant such other and further relief as it deems appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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