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

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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING THE APPLICATION OF FINA OIL & CHEMICAL COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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Case No. 10266

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## PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Pre-Hearing Statement is submitted on behalf of Fina Oil & Chemical Company as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

## APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

Applicant: Fina Oil & Chemical Company

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## APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Applicant in this case seeks the pooling of all mineral interests below a depth of 10,907 feet underlying the E/2 of Section 28, Township 16 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico, to form a standard 320 gas spacing and proration unit including a 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit in the South Kemnitz Atoka-Morrow Gas Pool. Applicant has attempted to reach voluntary agreement with other interest owners underlying the E/2 of this Section and has been unable to do so.

In addition to pooling these mineral interests, it is necessary for the Division to determine the reasonable costs of drilling and completing this well, the overhead and administrative costs which are reasonable for this well during drilling and operations and a reasonable charge for the risks involved in drilling said well to be applied to parties who do not participate drilling of this well. Applicant will seek to be named operator of this well.

#### APPLICANT'S PROPOSED EVIDENCE

Applicant proposes to present three witnesses at the hearing of this case; a landman, a geologist and an engineer. Applicant at this time believes that fifteen or fewer exhibits will be submitted and that the direct presentation of this case can be completed in 45 minutes.

#### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Applicant is not aware of any procedural matters which need to be resolved prior to the hearing of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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