

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BENSUN ENERGY, LLC TO DESIGNATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ AND W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SECTION 27, T36N-R52E, SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS, NISKU, AND ALL OTHER FORMATIONS LYING THEREUNDER NOT PRESENTLY SUBJECT TO PERMANENT SPACING UNIT ORDER WITH RESPECT TO THE LOUCKS #33-27 WELL.

ORDER 1-2015

Docket No. 1-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The Loucks #33-27 well location does not comply with the requirements of A.R.M 36.22.702 for the production of oil from formations between a drilled depth of 6000 and 11,000 feet. Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Orders 64-1994 and 92-1994 have previously established equivalent spacing units for the Red River and Winnipegosis Formations which lie within the same depth range.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-201, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 27, T36N-R52E, Sheridan County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken, Three Forks, and Nisku formations with respect to the Loucks # 33-27 well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 1-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION
TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 25 AND 36, T25N-R58E, RICHLAND
COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED
NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION
AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES
IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., WITH RESPECT
TO THE PREWITT #21-25-1H WELL.

ORDER 2-2015

Docket No. 4-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 279-2014. The applicant has been unable to acquire voluntary pooling of all interests within the spacing unit.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of Sections 25 and 36, T25N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Prewitt #21-25-1H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 2-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED
NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION
AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT
PENALTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A.,
WITH RESPECT TO THE PREWITT #21-25-2H WELL.

ORDER 3-2015

Docket No. 5-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 279-2014. The applicant has been unable to acquire voluntary pooling of all interests within the spacing unit.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of Sections 25 and 36, T25N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Prewitt #21-25-2H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 3-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

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COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 25 AND 36, T25N-R58E, RICHLAND
COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED
NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION
AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES
IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., WITH RESPECT
TO THE PREWITT #21-25-3H WELL.

ORDER 4-2015

Docket No. 6-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 279-2014. The applicant has been unable to acquire voluntary pooling of all interests within the spacing unit.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of Sections 25 and 36, T25N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Prewitt #21-25-3H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 4-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

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Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION
TO DESIGNATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL
OF SECTIONS 26 AND 35, T25N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA,
FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM
THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE HUNTER
#21-26-1H, HUNTER #21-26-2H, HUNTER #21-26-3H, AND HUNTER
#21-26-4H WELLS.

ORDER 5-2015

Docket No. 7-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Sections 26 and 35, T25N-58E comprise a statewide temporary spacing unit pursuant to Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 380-2011. Additional wells were authorized within the temporary spacing unit by Board Order 192-2014.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-201, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Sections 26 and 35, T25N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation from the Hunter #21-26-1H, Hunter #21-26-2H, Hunter #21-26-3H, and Hunter #21-26-4H wells.

BOARD ORDER NO. 5-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

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ATTEST:

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TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 26 AND 35, T25N-R58E, RICHLAND
COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED
NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION AND
TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES IN
ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., WITH RESPECT
TO THE HUNTER #21-26-1H WELL.

ORDER 6-2015

Docket No. 8-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 5-2015. The applicant has been unable to acquire voluntary pooling of all interests within the spacing unit.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 26 and 35, T25N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on a surface acreage basis for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Hunter #21-26-1H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 6-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

I dissent, only to the recovery of risk penalties
from the un-locatable owners of mineral interests.

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

I dissent, only to the recovery of risk penalties
from the un-locatable owners of mineral interests.

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION
TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 26 AND 35, T25N-R58E, RICHLAND
COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED
NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION
AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES
IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., WITH RESPECT
TO THE HUNTER #21-26-2H WELL.

ORDER 7-2015

Docket No. 9-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 5-2015. The applicant has been unable to acquire voluntary pooling of all interests within the spacing unit.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 26 and 35, T25N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on a surface acreage basis for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Hunter #21-26-2H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 7-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

I dissent, only to the recovery of risk penalties
from the un-locatable owners of mineral interests.

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

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Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION
TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT
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COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED
NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION
AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES
IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., WITH RESPECT
TO THE HUNTER #21-26-3H WELL.

ORDER 8-2015

Docket No. 10-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 5-2015. The applicant has been unable to acquire voluntary pooling of all interests within the spacing unit.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 26 and 35, T25N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on a surface acreage basis for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Hunter #21-26-3H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 8-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

ATTEST:

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION
TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT
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COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED
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TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES IN
ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., WITH RESPECT
TO THE HUNTER #21-26-4H WELL.

ORDER 9-2015

Docket No. 11-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 5-2015. The applicant has been unable to acquire voluntary pooling of all interests within the spacing unit.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 26 and 35, T25N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on a surface acreage basis for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Hunter #21-26-4H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 9-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

ATTEST:

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION
TO DESIGNATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL
OF SECTIONS 1, 12, AND 13, T24N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY,
MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL
GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE
YOUNG #31-1-1H, YOUNG #31-1-2H, YOUNG #31-1-3H, AND
YOUNG #31-1-4H WELLS.

ORDER 10-2015

Docket No. 12-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The lands described in the caption were designated a temporary spacing unit for the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 453-2011. Four additional wells were authorized in the spacing unit by Board Order 160-2014.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-201, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Sections 1, 12, and 13, T24N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken/Three Forks Formation oil and associated natural gas from the Young #31-1-1H, Young #31-1-2H, Young #31-1-3H, and Young #31-1-4H wells.

BOARD ORDER NO. 10-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION
TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 12, AND 13, T24N-R59E,
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND
ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS
FORMATION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT
PENALTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A.,
WITH RESPECT TO THE YOUNG #31-1-1H WELL.

ORDER 11-2015

Docket No. 13-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 10-2015. The applicant has been unable to acquire voluntary pooling of all interests within the spacing unit.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 1, 12, and 13, T24N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on a surface acreage basis for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Young #31-1-1H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 11-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION
TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 12, AND 13, T24N-R59E,
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND
ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS
FORMATION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF
NON-CONSENT PENALTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION
82-11-202(2), M.C.A., WITH RESPECT TO THE YOUNG #31-1-2H WELL.

ORDER 12-2015

Docket No. 14-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 10-2015. The applicant has been unable to acquire voluntary pooling of all interests within the spacing unit.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 1, 12, and 13, T24N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on a surface acreage basis for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Young #31-1-2H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 12-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION
TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 12, AND 13, T24N-R59E,
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND
ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS
FORMATION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF
NON-CONSENT PENALTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION
82-11-202(2), M.C.A., WITH RESPECT TO THE YOUNG #31-1-3H WELL.

ORDER 13-2015

Docket No. 15-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 10-2015. The applicant has been unable to acquire voluntary pooling of all interests within the spacing unit.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 1, 12, and 13, T24N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on a surface acreage basis for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Young #31-1-3H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 13-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION
TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 12, AND 13, T24N-R59E,
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND
ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS
FORMATION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT
PENALTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A.,
WITH RESPECT TO THE YOUNG #31-1-4H WELL.

ORDER 14-2015

Docket No. 16-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 10-2015. The applicant has been unable to acquire voluntary pooling of all interests within the spacing unit.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 1, 12, and 13, T24N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on a surface acreage basis for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Young #31-1-4H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 14-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF TRUE OIL LLC TO
DESIGNATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 4 AND 9,
T25N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA,
FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL AND
ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE
BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM
THE DELANEY FEDERAL #21-4 4-9H WELL.

ORDER 15-2015

Docket No. 17-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. Member Jack King recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The lands described in the caption were designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 175-2011. Applicant has completed the Delaney Federal #21-4 4-9H well as a producing well.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-201, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Sections 4 and 9, T25N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation from the Delaney Federal #21-4 4-9H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 15-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF TRUE OIL LLC TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 4 AND 9, T25N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A, WITH RESPECT TO THE DELANEY FEDERAL #21-4 4-9H WELL.

ORDER 16-2015

Docket No. 18-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. Member Jack King recused himself and took no further part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Dan Kittleson, member of Kittleson Family Partnership, appeared to protest the application. Leasehold interest in minerals owned by the partnership is under litigation, and the Kittleson Family does not want those interests pooled until the matter is resolved. True Oil LLC agreed to hold the Kittleson interests in suspense until a resolution is reached.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 4 and 9, T25N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

BOARD ORDER NO. 16-2015

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Delaney Federal #21-4 4-9H well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF J. BURNS BROWN
OPERATING CO. TO CREATE A PERMANENT
SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE SW¼ OF
SECTION 21, T34N-R20E, BLAINE COUNTY,
MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF SAWTOOTH
FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS
FROM THE MALSAM 21-34-20B WELL.

ORDER 17-2015

Docket No. 21-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The SW¼ of Section 21, T34N-R20E is a temporary spacing unit for the Sawtooth Formation pursuant to Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 149-2014. Applicant has drilled the Malsam 21-34-20B well as a Sawtooth Formation oil well.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-201, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the SW¼ of Section 21, T34N-R20E, Blaine County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Sawtooth Formation oil and associated natural gas from the Malsam 21-34-20B well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 17-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF J. BURNS BROWN
OPERATING CO. TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN
THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED
OF THE SW¼ OF SECTION 21, T34N-R20E,
BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION
OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM
THE SAWTOOTH FORMATION AND TO
AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT
PENALTIES ACCORDING TO SECTION
82-11-202(2), M.C.A. WITH RESPECT TO THE
MALSAM 21-34-20B WELL.

ORDER 18-2015

Docket No. 22-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The SW ¼ of Section 21, T34N-R20E is a permanent spacing unit for the production of oil and associated natural gas from the applicant's Malsam 21-34-20B well as designated under Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 17-2015.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of the SW¼ of Section 21, T34N-R20E, Blaine County, Montana, are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for production of Sawtooth Formation oil and associated natural gas

BOARD ORDER NO. 18-2015

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant is authorized to recovery non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A. with respect to the Malsam 21-34-20B well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC.
TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 13 AND 24, T23N-R54E,
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, ON A SURFACE ACREAGE
PARTICIPATING BASIS, FOR PRODUCTION OF BAKKEN/THREE
FORKS FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS
FROM THE SNOW 2-13H AND SNOW 3-13H WELLS AND TO
AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES
IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A.

ORDER 19-2015

Docket No. 30-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The spacing unit described in the caption was established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 139-2014. Applicant has successfully drilled and completed the Snow 2-13H and 3-13H wells as Bakken/Three Forks interval oil wells and has been unable to acquire voluntary pooling of all interests within the spacing unit.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 13 and 24, T23N-R54E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on surface acreage participation basis for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Snow 2-13H and Snow 3-13H wells.

BOARD ORDER NO. 19-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC.
TO DESIGNATE THE S½ OF SECTION 8 AND THE N½ OF
SECTION 17, T25N-R55E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, AS
A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT FOR PRODUCTION OF RED
RIVER FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS
FROM THE STANLEY 1-17 HR WELL.

ORDER 20-2015

Docket No. 31-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Applicant has successfully drilled and completed the Stanley 1-17 HR well as a Red River Formation well in the statewide temporary spacing unit comprised of the S½ of Section 8 and the N½ of Section 17, T25N-R55E.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-201, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the S½ of Section 8 and the N½ of Section 17, T25N-R55E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Red River Formation from the Stanley 1-17 HR well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 20-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC.
TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT
COMPRISED OF THE S½ OF SECTION 8 AND THE N½ SECTION
17, T25N-R55E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, ON A
SURFACE ACREAGE PARTICIPATING BASIS, FOR THE
PRODUCTION OF RED RIVER FORMATION OIL AND
ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE
RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES IN ACCORDANCE
WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., WITH RESPECT TO THE
STANLEY 1-17 HR WELL.

ORDER 21-2015

Docket No. 32-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 20-2015 designated the S½ of Section 8 and the N½ of Section 17, T25N-R55E a permanent spacing unit. Applicant has been unable to acquire voluntary pooling of interests with the spacing unit.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of the S½ of Section 8 and the N½ Section 17, T25N-R55E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on a surface acreage participation basis for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Red River Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Stanley 1-17 HR well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 21-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC.
TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT
COMPRISED OF SECTION 33, T27N-R53E, AND SECTIONS 4, 9,
AND 16, T26N-R53E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, AND TO
AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/
THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL THEREON AT ANY
LOCATION NOT CLOSER THAN 200 FEET (HEEL AND TOE
SETBACK) AND 660 FEET SETBACK TO THE EXTERIOR
BOUNDARIES OF THE REQUESTED TEMPORARY SPACING
UNIT. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING
WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 22-2015

Docket No. 33-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. Member Jack King recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. Jack Wunder, geologist for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) appeared in protest of this docket on behalf of the BLM. The BLM would prefer that the proposed wells be drilled within in the established permanent spacing units. Continental Resources, Inc. stated that the overlapping temporary spacing unit and proposed well locations were selected to minimize surface disruption and that approval of the application would be in the best interests of all parties involved.

3. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant has not demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-201, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Continental Resources, Inc. is denied.

BOARD ORDER NO. 22-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC.
TO DESIGNATE THE SECTIONS 28, 29, 32, AND 33, T25N-R53E,
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, AS A PERMANENT SPACING
UNIT FOR PRODUCTION OF BAKKEN/THREE FORKS
FORMATION OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM
THE BR-CARDA 1-29HSL WELL.

ORDER 23-2015

Docket No. 359-2014

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Applicant has successfully drilled and completed the BR-Carda 1-29HSL well as a Bakken/Three Forks interval oil well in the temporary spacing unit established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 359-2014.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-201, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Sections 28, 29, 32, and 33, T25N-R53E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of Bakken/Three Forks Formation oil and associated natural gas from the BR-Carda 1-29HSL well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 23-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC.
TO POOL ALL INTERESTS ON A SURFACE ACREAGE PARTICIPATION
BASIS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF
SECTIONS 28, 29, 32, AND 33, T25N-R53E, RICHLAND COUNTY,
MONTANA, FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED
NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION
AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES
IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., WITH RESPECT
TO THE BR-CARDA 1-29HSL WELL.

ORDER 24-2015

Docket No. 360-2014

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Applicant has been unable to achieve voluntary pooling of all interests in the spacing unit for the BR-Carda 1-29HSL well which was permanently spaced by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 23-2015.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 28, 29, 32, and 33, T25N-R53E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on a surface acreage participation basis for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the BR-Carda 1-29HSL well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 24-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF SM ENERGY COMPANY TO REHEAR
DOCKET 316-2014 TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 26 AND 27, T26N-R59E,
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL UP TO THREE
HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS FROM
A COMMON PAD ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY SPACING
UNIT AT ANY LOCATION NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE
SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR
BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 25-2015

Docket No. 316-2014

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The rehearing request was heard during the Board's Business Meeting on February 25, 2015. The request was granted.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-201, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Sections 26 and 27, T26N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit to drill up to three horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells from a common pad anywhere within said temporary spacing unit at any location not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of such wells be commenced within one year of the date of the order issued by the Board.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF XTO ENERGY, INC. TO AMEND
BOARD ORDER 149-2009 TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF
A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL
AT ANY LOCATION NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE
SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) WITHIN THE
PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE S½ OF
SECTION 12 AND ALL OF SECTION 13, T22N-R59E, RICHLAND
COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER 26-2015

Docket No. 356-2014

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Applicant is requesting an exception to the lateral setback requirements of Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 149-2009 due to the location and orientation of the existing well in the spacing unit.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-201, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Board Order 149-2009 is amended to authorize the drilling of a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well at any location not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) within the permanent spacing unit comprised of the S½ of Section 12 and all of Section 13, T22N-R59E, Richland County, Montana.

BOARD ORDER NO. 26-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OMIMEX PETROLEUM, INC. TO VACATE AND RESCIND BOARD ORDERS 44-2014, 45-2014, AND 46-2014, AND BLM ORDERS 25-2012 FED, 1-2014 FED, AND 2-2014 FED. THESE ORDERS WERE ISSUED AT THE REQUEST OF OASIS PETROLEUM, INC. AND INVOLVE THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF SECTIONS 25, 26, 35, AND 36, T27N-R59E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER 27-2015

Docket No. 361-2014 & 3-2015 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. Member John Evans recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Omimex Petroleum, Inc. was not provided notice of the applications for permanent spacing and pooling as required by § 82-11-141(4)(b) M.C.A.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the notice requirements of § 82-11-141(4)(b) M.C.A. were not met and Board Orders 44-2014 and 45-2014 should be vacated with respect to the interests of Omimex Petroleum, Inc..

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Board Orders 44-2014 and 45-2014 pertaining to the permanent spacing and pooling of interests within Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36, T27N-R59E, Roosevelt County, Montana, are hereby vacated with respect to the interests of Omimex Petroleum, Inc.

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Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OASIS PETROLEUM, INC. TO DESIGNATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 25, 26, 35, AND 36, T27N-R59E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE REVEILLE FEDERAL #2759 14-26H WELL.

ORDER 28-2015

Docket No. 28-2015 & 4-2015 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. Member John Evans recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. A temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36 was designated by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 176-2012. Oasis Petroleum, Inc. has completed its Reveille Federal #2759 14-26H well which is capable of production of oil and associated gas from the Bakken/Three Forks interval.
3. Said lands had previously been designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 44-2014. This order was vacated by Order 27-2015 as to the interests of Omimex Petroleum, Inc. (Omimex) because the notice requirement of § 82-11-141(4)(b) M.C.A. had not been met.
4. Omimex did not object to the designation of all of Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36, T27N-R59E as a permanent spacing unit for the production of oil and associated gas from the Bakken/Three Forks interval.
5. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-201, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36, T27N-R59E, Roosevelt County, Montana, are designated a permanent spacing unit

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for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation from the Reveille Federal #2759 14-26H well concerning the interests controlled by Omimex Petroleum, Inc.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OASIS PETROLEUM, INC. TO
POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 25, 26, 35, AND 36,
T27N-R59E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR
PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS
FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION AND TO
AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES
IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., WITH
RESPECT TO THE REVEILLE FEDERAL #2759 14-26H WELL.

ORDER 29-2015

Docket No. 352-2014

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. Member John Evans recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36 of T27N-R59E were designated a temporary spacing unit by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 176-2012. Applicant successfully drilled and completed its Reveille Federal 2759 14-26H well in the Bakken/Three Forks interval.
3. The spacing unit was designated a permanent spacing unit by Board Order 28-2015.
4. Applicant demonstrated that it made an unsuccessful, good faith attempt to voluntarily pool the interests within the spacing unit. Applicant demonstrated that Omimex Petroleum, Inc. acknowledged that it refused to pay its share of costs of drilling and operating the well in the spacing unit.
5. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-202, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests of Omimex Petroleum, Inc. in Sections 25, 26, 35, and 36, T27N-R59E, Roosevelt County, Montana, are

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hereby pooled on surface acreage basis for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the recovery of non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., is authorized for the Reveille Federal #2759 14-26H well for the interests controlled by Omimex Petroleum, Inc.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DENBURY ONSHORE, LLC TO
CONVERT THE SOUTH PINE UNIT 24-30EH WELL
(API #25-025-22128) IN THE SE¼SW¼ OF SECTION 30,
T11N-R58E, FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA (PINE FIELD) TO
A CLASS II ENHANCED RECOVERY INJECTION WELL IN
THE RED RIVER FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF
APPROXIMATELY 9400 FT.

ORDER 34-2015

Docket No. 19-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section A.R.M. 36.22.1403 have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Denbury Onshore, LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

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Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DENBURY ONSHORE, LLC TO
DRILL THE BIDDLE 31-08 WELL IN THE SE¼NE¼ OF SECTION
31, T8S-R54E, POWDER RIVER COUNTY, MONTANA (BELL
CREEK FIELD) AS A CLASS II SALT WATER DISPOSAL WELL
IN THE MUDDY FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY
4550-4640 FT. AN AQUIFER EXEMPTION IS BEING REQUESTED
AS THE INJECTION ZONE CONTAINS WATER WITH LESS THAN
10,000 MG/L TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS.

ORDER 35-2015

Docket No. 20-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of A.R.M. 36.22.1403 have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Denbury Onshore, LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 35-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BTA OIL PRODUCERS, LLC TO
AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF AN OIL AND GAS WELL TO
THE MINNELUSA FORMATION TO A TOTAL DEPTH OF 8,500'
AT AN APPROXIMATE LOCATION 700' FWL AND 350' FSL IN
SECTIONS 31, T9S-R51E, POWDER RIVER COUNTY, MONTANA,
AS AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.702.

ORDER 36-2015

Docket No. 23-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-201, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of BTA Oil Producers, LLC is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 36-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF SYNERGY OFFSHORE, LLC TO
DRILL THE P 835 WELL IN THE SE¼ NE¼ SE¼ OF SECTION
35, T35N-R6W, GLACIER COUNTY, MONTANA (CUT BANK
FIELD) AS A CLASS II ENHANCED RECOVERY INJECTION
WELL IN THE CUT BANK FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF
APPROXIMATELY 2950 FT. AN AQUIFER EXEMPTION IS
BEING REQUESTED AS THE INJECTION ZONE CONTAINS
WATER WITH LESS THAN 10,000 MG/L TOTAL DISSOLVED
SOLIDS.

ORDER 37-2015

Docket No. 24-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of A.R.M. 36.22.1403 have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Synergy Offshore LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 37-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF SYNERGY OFFSHORE, LLC TO
DRILL THE P 635-B WELL IN THE SE¼ NW¼ SE¼ OF SECTION
35, T35N-R6W, GLACIER COUNTY, MONTANA (CUT BANK
FIELD) AS A CLASS II ENHANCED RECOVERY INJECTION
WELL IN THE CUT BANK FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF
APPROXIMATELY 2950 FT. AN AQUIFER EXEMPTION IS
BEING REQUESTED AS THE INJECTION ZONE CONTAINS
WATER WITH LESS THAN 10,000 MG/L TOTAL DISSOLVED
SOLIDS.

ORDER 38-2015

Docket No. 25-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of A.R.M. 36.22.1403 have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Synergy Offshore LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 38-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF SYNERGY OFFSHORE, LLC, TO
TO DRILL THE R 602 WELL IN THE NE¼ NW¼ NE¼ OF SECTION
2, T34N-R6W, GLACIER COUNTY, MONTANA (CUT BANK FIELD)
AS A CLASS II ENHANCED RECOVERY INJECTION WELL IN THE
CUT BANK FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY
2950 FT. AN AQUIFER EXEMPTION IS BEING REQUESTED AS
THE INJECTION ZONE CONTAINS WATER WITH LESS THAN
10,000 MG/L TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS.

ORDER 39-2015

Docket No. 26-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of A.R.M. 36.22.1403 have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Synergy Offshore LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 39-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC.
TO VACATE ORDER NO. 157-2009 RELATING TO SECTIONS
29, 30, 31, AND 32, T25N-R55E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER 40-2015

Docket No. 29-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 157-2009 established an overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 29, 30, 31, 32, T25N-R55E. Subsequent Order 356-2014 modified the lateral setback requirement for an additional well in the spacing unit comprised of Sections 29 and 32 of said township and alleviated the need for an additional well along the boundary between the two permanent spacing units.

3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-201, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Continental Resources, Inc. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 40-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CLINE PRODUCTION COMPANY
TO CONVERT THE JACKSON COULEE FEDERAL #2 WELL
(API #25-033-21138) IN THE SE¼SE¼ OF SECTION 26, T15N-R30E,
GARFIELD COUNTY, MONTANA (CAT CREEK FIELD) TO A
CLASS II SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL IN THE AMSDEN
FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 2,404 FT.

ORDER 41-2015

Docket No. 302-2014

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of A.R.M. 36.22.1403 have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Cline Production Company is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 41-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DENBURY ONSHORE, LLC TO
ADD THE LODGEPOLE FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF
APPROXIMATELY 7,970-8,000 FT. TO THE ALREADY-
PERMITTED SILURO-ORDOVICIAN INJECTION ZONE IN
THE 22-15 CCH WELL (API #25-025-05718) IN THE SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$
OF SECTION 15, T6N-R60E, FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA
(LOOKOUT BUTTE FIELD).

ORDER 42-2015

Docket No. 342-2014

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of A.R.M. 36.22.1403 have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Denbury Onshore, LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 42-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DENBURY ONSHORE, LLC TO
ADD THE LODGEPOLE FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF
APPROXIMATELY 7,936-7,977 FT. TO THE ALREADY-
PERMITTED SILURO-ORDOVICIAN INJECTION ZONE IN
THE 22-09 WELL (API #25-025-05148) IN THE SE¼NW¼ OF
SECTION 9, T6N-R60E, FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA
(LOOKOUT BUTTE FIELD).

ORDER 43-2015

Docket No. 343-2014

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of A.R.M. 36.22.1403 have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Denbury Onshore, LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 43-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DENBURY ONSHORE, LLC TO
ADD THE LODGEPOLE FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF
APPROXIMATELY 7,936-7,977 FT. TO THE ALREADY-
PERMITTED SILURO-ORDOVICIAN INJECTION ZONE IN
THE 24XX-15 CCH WELL (API #25-025-22521) IN THE
SE¼SW¼ OF SECTION 15, T6N-R60E, FALLON COUNTY,
MONTANA (LOOKOUT BUTTE FIELD).

ORDER 44-2015

Docket No. 344-2014

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of A.R.M. 36.22.1403 have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Denbury Onshore, LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 44-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OASIS PETROLEUM NORTH
AMERICA LLC TO DRILL THE 2759-22-8 WELL IN THE
SE¼NW¼ OF SECTION 8, T27N-R59E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY,
MONTANA (WILDCAT) AS A CLASS II SALTWATER
DISPOSAL WELL IN THE DAKOTA FORMATION AT A
DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 5,320-5,940 FT.

ORDER 45-2015

Docket No. 353-2014

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of A.R.M. 36.22.1403 have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Oasis Petroleum North America LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 45-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE APPLICATION OF XTO ENERGY, INC. TO
AMEND BOARD ORDER 147-2009 TO AUTHORIZE THE
DRILLING OF A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS
FORMATION WELL AT ANY LOCATION NOT CLOSER
THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK)/660' (LATERAL
SETBACK) WITHIN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT
COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 9 AND 16, T22N-R59E,
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER 46-2015

Docket No. 355-2014

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of Section 82-11-201, M.C.A. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of XTO Energy, Inc. is granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 46-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION TO REQUIRE K2 AMERICA CORPORATION TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY IT SHOULD NOT IMMEDIATELY PLUG AND ABANDON ITS WELLS FOR FAILURE TO FILE PRODUCTION REPORTS AND TO PAY THE ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY ASSESSED FOR DELINQUENT REPORTING AND FAILURE TO PAY THE FINE ASSESSED FOR NOT MEETING THE BOARD'S DECEMBER 4, 2014 PUBLIC HEARING DEADLINE.

ORDER 30-2015

Docket No. 338-2014

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. No one appeared on behalf of K2 America Corporation (K2).
3. Staff reported that there has been no contact with K2 since the December 4, 2014, public hearing and recommended that the respondent be required to appear at the April 30, 2015 public hearing to show cause why it shouldn't have its plugging and reclamation bond forfeited for failure to provide a plan for future use or abandonment of its wells.
4. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that respondent has not demonstrated that the requirements of Title 82, Chapter 11, M.C.A. and A.R.M. 36.22.101, et.seq. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that K2 America Corporation is to appear at the April 30, 2015 public hearing and show cause, if any it has, why its plugging and reclamation bond should not be forfeited.

BOARD ORDER NO. 30-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION TO REQUIRE P&P INDUSTRIES LLC 1 CORPORATION TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ITS BOND SHOULD NOT BE FORFEITED FOR FAILURE TO PLUG THE INDIAN MOUND 1 WELL, API: 25-083-21377, T23N, R55E, SECTION 15, AND FOR FAILURE TO PAY THE ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY ASSESSED FOR DELINQUENT REPORTING AND FAILURE TO PAY THE FINE ASSESSED FOR NOT APPEARING AT THE BOARD'S OCTOBER 16, 2014 PUBLIC HEARING.

ORDER 31-2014

Docket No. 339-2014

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. No one appeared on behalf of P&P Industries LLC 1.
3. Staff recommended that the plugging and reclamation bond of P&P Industries LLC 1 be forfeited for failure to plug its Indian Mound 1 well.
4. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that respondent has not demonstrated that the requirements of Title 82, Chapter 11, M.C.A. and A.R.M. 36.22.101, et.seq. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the bond for P&P Industries LLC 1 is forfeited.

BOARD ORDER NO. 31-2015

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION TO REQUIRE WEXCO EXPLORATION,
LLC APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY IT SHOULD NOT
IMMEDIATELY PLUG AND ABANDON ITS GUENTHER 2-8 WELL,
API: 25-091-21565, T33N, R58E, SECTION 8, FOR FAILURE TO FILE
CORRECT PRODUCTION REPORTS AND FOR FAILURE TO PAY THE FINE
ASSESSED FOR NOT APPEARING AT THE BOARD'S DECEMBER 4, 2014
PUBLIC HEARING.

ORDER 32-2014

Docket No. 362-2014

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. No one appeared on behalf of Wexco Exploration, LLC (Wexco).
3. Board staff has been informed that a new operator has taken over operation of the Guenther 2-8 well. The new company had indicated that corrected production reports and the penalty assessed against Wexco would be provided prior to this hearing. However, these materials were not provided, and staff recommended that Wexco appear at the April 30, 2015 public hearing to appear and address why its plugging and reclamation bond should not be forfeited.
4. Staff also requested the authority to dismiss the show cause order if the required reports and change of operator form are received.
5. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that respondent has not demonstrated that the requirements of Title 82, Chapter 11, M.C.A. and A.R.M. 36.22.101, et.seq. have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 32-2015

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Wexco Exploration, LLC is to appear at the April 30, 2015 public hearing and show cause, if any it has, why its plugging and reclamation bond should not be forfeited.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board staff has authority to dismiss if all correct production reports, assessed penalties, and change or operator request are filed prior to the April 30, 2015 hearing.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Linda Nelson, Chairman

Wayne Smith, Vice-Chairman

Ronald S. Efta, Board Member

John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION TO REQUIRE CAVALIER PETROLEUM TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ADDITIONAL PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE IMPOSED FOR FAILURE TO FILE PRODUCTION REPORTS AND TO PAY THE ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY ASSESSED FOR DELINQUENT REPORTING. IN ACCORDANCE WITH BOARD POLICY THE AMOUNT DUE NOW IS \$560.00. THIS DOCKET WILL BE DISMISSED IF PAYMENT AND REPORTS ARE RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE HEARING. FAILURE TO APPEAR AT THE SHOW CAUSE HEARING OR TO MAKE SUITABLE ARRANGEMENTS PRIOR TO SAID HEARING SUBJECTS CAVALIER PETROLEUM TO FURTHER PENALTIES AS PRESCRIBED BY BOARD POLICY.

ORDER 33-2015

Docket No. 34-2015

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on February 26, 2015 at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Bret Smelser was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. No one appeared on behalf of Cavalier Petroleum (Cavalier).
3. Cavalier has outstanding fines in the amount of \$560.00. Staff recommended that an additional \$1000 penalty assessed for failure to respond to the current order to show cause, and that Cavalier be required to appear at the April 30, 2015 public hearing to address why it shouldn't have to provide a plan and timeline for the abandonment and reclamation of its wells.
4. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana concludes that respondent has not demonstrated that the requirements of Title 82, Chapter 11, M.C.A. and A.R.M. 36.22.101, et.seq. have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 33-2015

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Cavalier Petroleum is to appear at the April 30, 2015 public hearing and show cause, if any it has, why it shouldn't have to plug and abandon its wells.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Cavalier Petroleum is fined \$1,000 for not appearing at the February 26, 2015, public hearing.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 26th day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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John Evans, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Peggy Ames Nerud, Board Member

ATTEST:

James W. Halvorson, Administrator