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**BEFORE THE WYOMING  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL**

Terri A. Lorenzon, Director  
Environmental Quality Council

IN RE: Willow Creek General Permit,        )  
Pumpkin Creek General Permit, and        )  
Four Mile Creek General Plan            )

Docket No. 06-3815  
Docket No. 06-3816  
Docket No. 06-3817

**JOINT MOTION AND STIPULATION  
FOR CONSOLIDATION OF CASES**

Come now the parties in the above entitled matter, the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Wyoming Outdoor Council, Marathon Oil Company, Yates Petroleum Corporation, and Citation Oil & Gas Corp., by and through their undersigned counsel, and hereby stipulate and move as follows:

1. Docket No. 06-3815 was brought as a Petition for Review by Marathon Oil Company, Yates Petroleum Corporation, and Citation Oil & Gas Corp. in this matter on November 9, 2006, contesting the Willow Creek General Permit, the Pumpkin Creek General Permit, and the Four Mile Creek General Plan.

2. Docket No. 06-3816 and Docket No. 06-3817 were brought as two Petitions for Review by Wyoming Outdoor Council in this matter on November 9, 2006, contesting the Pumpkin Creek General Permit and the Willow Creek General Permit, respectively.

3. Docket Nos. 06-3816 and 06-3817 have since been consolidated by the Environmental Quality Council's "Scheduling Conference Order" dated May 29, 2007, filed June 5, 2007.

4. It is appropriate for the above-referenced docket cases before the Environmental Quality Council to be consolidated into one case for the purpose of

hearings and proceedings before the Environmental Quality Council because they involve related issues with the same general permits.

5. The parties to these cases hereby agree and acknowledge that the above-entitled docketed cases should be consolidated, and all parties to these cases should be given full rights of participation as parties in all the above-entitled docketed cases.

6. The parties further agree and stipulate that the Wyoming Outdoor Council may have until August 22, 2007, to provide its list of expert witnesses to the other parties in this matter.

7. The parties estimate it may take six days to complete a contested case hearing for the consolidated cases in this matter, should one prove necessary after the hearing of the Summary Judgment Motion of Wyoming Outdoor Council in this matter, now set for September 27, 2007. If the cases are not consolidated, the total time needed to conduct two separate hearings could be comparable.

8. The parties suggest that the time set for the hearing in this matter continue to be set for December 17, 18, and 19, and that an additional three days be set aside in January, 2008, at the convenience of the hearing examiner in this matter. The attorneys for the parties have fairly open schedules for three days of hearings sometime during January, 2008.

WHEREFORE, the parties hereby move and stipulate that the Environmental Quality Council:

A. Consolidate the above-captioned docketed cases into one case for the purpose of hearings and proceedings before the Environmental Quality Council.

B. Grant Wyoming Outdoor Council until August 22, 2007, to provide its list of expert witnesses to the other parties in this matter.

C. Continue with the schedule for these matters in the Scheduling Orders previously issued by the Environmental Quality Council in each matter.

D. Begin the contested case hearing in this matter on December 17, 18, and 19, 2007, and set aside three days in January, 2008, at the convenience of the hearing examiner in this matter, for additional time to conclude the contested case hearing of the consolidated cases.

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August 2007.



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