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BEFORE THE IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF LANDS

**In the Matter of the Application of Snake River)
Oil and Gas, LLC for an Order Integrating)
Mineral Interest in the Spacing Unit Consisting)
of the SE¼ of Section 15, the E ½ of the SW¼ of)
Section 15, and the NE ¼ of Section 22,)
Township 8 North, Range 5 West, Payette)
County, Idaho.)
SNAKE RIVER OIL AND GAS, LLC,)
Applicant.)**

Agency Docket No. CC-2025-OGR-01-005

OAH Case No. 25-320-OG-04

**MOTION OF APPLICANT FOR
ORDER DETERMINING CAIA IS
NOT A PARTY**

Citizens Allied for Integrity and Accountability (“CAIA”), describing itself as a “a non-profit, membership-based association,” joined in an Objection to Application (“Objection”) filed in this matter on October 30, 2025.¹

Idaho Code § 47-328(3)(b) provides that in an application for an order establishing a spacing unit, “[o]nly an uncommitted owner in the affected unit may file an objection or other response to the application, and the uncommitted owner shall file at least fourteen (14) days before

¹ CAIA appears to be incorrectly described in the Objection. Citizens Allied for Integrity and Accountability, Inc., is a nonprofit corporation incorporated in Idaho in 2015.

the hearing date provided in the notice.” CAIA is not an uncommitted owner in the affected unit, and thus has no statutory right to file an objection or participate in this proceeding as a respondent party. *See* IDAPA 62.01.01.202 (“respondents” in a contested case are: “Persons against whom petitions or complaints are filed[.]”).

CAIA has repeatedly attempted to insert itself as a party in previous proceedings controlled by Idaho Code § 47-328(3)(b). Prior to cases being heard by OAH, the Administrator of the Idaho Department of Land’s Oil and Gas Program applied the restriction in Idaho Code §47-328(3)(b) to determine that CAIA was not a party. *See* the Administrator’s August 12, 2021 “Order Determining that CAIA is Not a Party and Denying Petition to Intervene,” entered in Docket No. CC-2021-OGR-01-001 (available at https://ogcc.idaho.gov/wp-content/uploads/024_20210812_OrderDeterminingCAIAisnotaParty-DenyingPetitionIntervene.pdf), the Administrator’s September 15, 2021 “Order Determining CAIA is Not a Party and Denying Petition to Intervene,” entered in Docket No. CC-2021-OGR-01-002 (available at https://ogcc.idaho.gov/wp-content/uploads/031_20210915_OrderDeterminingCAIAnotaParty-DenyingPetitiontoIntervene.pdf), and the Administrator’s “Order Determining CAIA is Not a Party,” entered in Docket No. CC-2023-OGR-01-001 (available at https://ogcc.idaho.gov/wp-content/uploads/027_20230322_OrderDeterminingCAIAisnotaParty.pdf). Similar relief was granted to Applicant as against CAIA in a case heard before an OAH hearing officer in 2024, in OAH Case No. 24-320-OG-01 (available at https://ogcc.idaho.gov/wp-content/uploads/20240710_FindingsFactConclusionLawRecommendedOrder.pdf). This is the fifth time that CAIA has attempted to participate as a party despite clear authority establishing

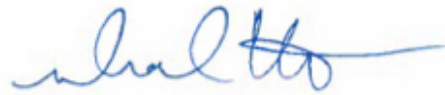
that it has no right to do so, and despite four previous orders determining that it is not a proper responding party under Idaho Code §47-328(3)(b).

CAIA may still be able to participate in the evidentiary hearing of this matter as a public witness, with the rights, obligations, and limitations set forth in IDAPA 62.01.01.207.

For the reasons set forth above and those set forth in the referenced previous orders, in particular because of the limitation set forth in Idaho Code §47-328(3)(b) and IDAPA 62.01.01.202, Applicant respectfully requests an order determining that CAIA is not a party to this proceeding.

DATED this 19th day of November, 2025.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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