

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION
COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE No. 3582
Order No. R-3248

APPLICATION OF TENNECO OIL COMPANY
FOR TWO UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATIONS,
RIO ARriba COUNTY, NEW MEXICO,

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on May 24, 1967,
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this 5th day of June, 1967, the Commission, a
quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record,
and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised
in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by
law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject
matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Tenneco Oil Company, seeks approval
of unorthodox gas well locations in the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool
for its following-described wells:

Jicarilla "C" Well No. 6, located 1780 feet from
the North line and 1455 feet from the West line
of Section 14, Township 26 North, Range 5 West,
NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, and

Jicarilla "C" Well No. 4, located 1650 feet from
the North line and 1650 feet from the West line
of Section 24, Township 26 North, Range 5 West,
NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

(3) That the subject wells were originally projected to the
Dakota formation and were drilled at standard locations for the
Basin-Dakota Gas Pool,

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(4) That approval of the subject application should result in the recovery of otherwise unrecoverable gas as the applicant proposes to dually complete the subject wells in the Basin-Dakota Gas Pool and the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool, and the geological conditions in the area will not justify single completion in the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool.

(5) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the gas in the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool, will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, and otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Tenneco Oil Company, is hereby authorized unorthodox gas well locations in the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool for its following-described wells:

Jicarilla "C" Well No. 6, located 1780 feet from the North line and 1455 feet from the West line of Section 14, Township 26 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, and

Jicarilla "C" Well No. 4, located 1650 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the West line of Section 24, Township 26 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

DAVID F. CARGO, Chairman

GUYTON B. HAYS, Member

A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

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