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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. 4277  
Order No. R-3903

APPLICATION OF PAN AMERICAN PETROLEUM  
CORPORATION 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 9:30 a.m. on December 17, 1969, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 24th day of December, 1969, 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, Pan American Petroleum Corporation, seeks an exception to Rule 2 of the Special Rules and Regulations governing the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool as promulgated by Order No. R-1670, as amended, to recomplete its following-described wells at unorthodox locations in the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool, both in Township 26 North, Range 4 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico:

Jicarilla Apache 102 Well No. 15, located  
790 feet from the South line and 1190 feet  
from the East line of Section 9; and

Jicarilla Apache 102 Well No. 16, located  
1070 feet from the South line and 1450 feet  
from the East line of Section 10.

(3) That the subject wells were originally drilled as Gallup gas wells at standard locations for an undesignated Gallup gas pool and are off-pattern with respect to the Special Rules and Regulations governing the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool.

(4) 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, Pan American Petroleum Corporation, is hereby granted an exception to the well location requirements of Rule 2 of the Special Rules and Regulations governing the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool as promulgated by Order No. R-1670, as amended, and is hereby authorized to recomplete its following-described wells at unorthodox locations in the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool, both in Township 26 North, Range 4 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico:

Jicarilla Apache 102 Well No. 15, located  
790 feet from the South line and 1190 feet  
from the East line of Section 9; and

Jicarilla Apache 102 Well No. 16, located  
1070 feet from the South line and 1450 feet  
from the East line of Section 10.

(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

ALEX J. ARMIJO, Member

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

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