

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. 3820
Order No. R-3466

APPLICATION OF EL PASO NATURAL GAS
COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL
LOCATION, RIO ARriba COUNTY, NEW
MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on July 24, 1968,
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 1st day of August, 1968, 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, El Paso Natural Gas Company, 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 Harvey "A" Well No. 3
at an unorthodox location 890 feet from the South line and 1650
feet from the East line of Section 32, Township 27 North, Range
7 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

(3) That said well was drilled and completed as a Dakota
gas well at a standard location for the Basin-Dakota Gas Pool
and is off-pattern with respect to the Special Rules and Regula-
tions 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, El Paso Natural Gas Company, 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 Harvey "A" Well No. 3 at an unorthodox location 890 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 32, Township 27 North, Range 7 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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