

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION
DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF
CONSIDERING:

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OIL CON. DIV. CASE NO. 11921
DIST. 3 ORDER NO. R-11029

APPLICATION OF WHITING PETROLEUM CORPORATION AND MARALEX
RESOURCES, INC. FOR AN ORDER SHUTTING IN CERTAIN WELLS, SAN
JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This case came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on June 11, 1998, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this 6th day of August, 1998, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record and the recommendations of the Examiner,

FINDS THAT:

(1) Due public notice has been given and the Division has jurisdiction of this case and its subject matter.

(2) The applicants, Whiting Petroleum Corporation and Maralex Resources, Inc., seek an order requiring that the following wells in San Juan County, New Mexico be shut-in for producing out-of-zone:

(a) Thompson Engineering & Production Corp.'s Stacy Well No. 1 (API No. 30-045-29396), located 835 feet from the South line and 1805 feet from the East line (Unit O) of Section 6, Township 26 North, Range 12 West, NMPM;

(b) Pendragon Energy Partners, Inc.'s Chaco Well No. 1 (API No. 30-045-22309), located 1846 feet from the North line and 1806 feet from the West line (Unit F) of

Section 18, Township 26 North, Range 12 West, NMPM;

(c) Pendragon Energy Partners, Inc.'s Chaco Well No. 2-R (API No. 30-045-23691), located 1850 feet from the South and West lines (Unit K) of Section 7, Township 26 North, Range 12 West, NMPM;

(d) Pendragon Energy Partners, Inc.'s Chaco Well No. 4 (API No. 30-045-22410), located 790 feet from the North and West lines (Unit D) of Section 7, Township 26 North, Range 12 West, NMPM;

(e) Pendragon Energy Partners, Inc.'s Chaco Well No. 5 (API No. 30-045-22411), located 790 feet from the South and East lines (Unit P) of Section 1, Township 26 North, Range 13 West, NMPM;

(f) Pendragon Energy Partners, Inc.'s Chaco Limited Well No. 1-J (API No. 30-045-25134), located 1850 feet from the South line and 1750 feet from the West line (Unit K) of Section 1, Township 26 North, Range 13 West, NMPM; and,

(g) Pendragon Energy Partners, Inc.'s Chaco Limited Well No. 2-J (API No. 30-045-23593), located 790 feet from the North line and 1850 feet from the East line (Unit B) of Section 1, Township 26 North, Range 13 West, NMPM.

(3) By written request received by the Division on May 22, 1998, the applicants moved to dismiss this case.

(4) By letter dated May 26, 1998, legal counsel for Pendragon Energy Partners, Inc. and J. K. Edwards Associates, Inc. filed an objection to the applicants' motion for dismissal.

(5) This matter was called at the June 11, 1998 hearing, where legal counsel for both the applicants and Pendragon Energy Partners, Inc./J. K. Edwards Associates, Inc. appeared and presented verbal arguments concerning the applicants' request for dismissal.

(6) Dismissal of a case at the request of the applicant is not unique and in this

case the applicant's request is warranted. The applicants' motion to dismiss Case No. 11921 should therefore be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

Case No. 11921 is hereby dismissed.

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



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LORI WROTENBERY
Director