CASE 6538: BEDFORD, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF INFILL DRILLING, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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BEFORE: Daniel S. Nutter

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Direct Examination by Mr. Kellahin

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	Re:	CASE NO. 6538
Mr. Thomas Kellahin		ORDER NO. R-6027
Kellahin & Kellahin Attorneys at Law		
Post Office Box 1769 Santa Fe, New Mexico		Applicant:
	•	Bedford, Inc.
Dear Sir:		
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JOE D. RAMEY		
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

CASE NO. 6538 Order No. R-6027

APPLICATION OF BEDFORD, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF INFILL DRILLING, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on May 9, 1979, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 12th day of June, 1979, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the bremises.

FINDS:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, Bedford, Inc., seeks a waiver of existing well spacing requirements and a finding that the drilling of its Ram Well No. 1-A located in Unit G of Section 8, rownship 26 North, Range 12 West, WAW Fruitland-Pictured Cliffs Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain that portion of the proration unit which cannot be so drained by the existing well.
- (3) That the standard spacing unit in the WAW Fruitland-Pictured Cliffs Pool is 160 acres.
- (4) That Bedford, Inc. is the operator of a standard 160acre proration unit consisting of the NE/4 of said Section 8 In the WAW Fruitland-Pictured Cliffs Pool.
- (5) That said 160-acre proration unit is dedicated to applicant's Ram Well No. 1 located in Unit A of said Section 8.

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- (6) That said Ram Well No. 1 is productive from the Fruitland zone of the WAW Fruitland-Pictured Cliffs Pool but is non-productive from the Pictured Cliffs zone of said pool.
- (7) That the applicant proposes to complete its Ram Well No. 1-A in the Pictured Cliffs zone of the WAW Fruitland-Pictured Cliffs Pool.
- (8) That the evidence indicates that if the drilling and completion of applicant's said Ram Well No. 1-A in the Pictured Cliffs zone of said pool is successful, said Ram Well No. 1-A should recover additional gas from applicant's acreage which would not otherwise be recovered from the proration unit.
- (9) That such additional recovery from the non-standard proration unit will result in such unit being more efficiently and economically drained.
- (10) That said Ram Well No. 1-A is to be drilled as an "infill" well on the existing 160-acre proration unit.
- (11) That in order to permit the drainage of a portion of the reservoir covered by said 160-acre proration unit which cannot be effectively and efficiently drained by the existing well thereon, the subject application for infill drilling should be approved as an exception to the standard well spacing requirements for said WAW Fruitland-Pictured Cliffs Pool.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, Bedford, Inc., is hereby authorized to drill its Ram Well No. 1-A to be located in Unit G of Section 8, Township 26 North, Range 12 West, as an infill well on an existing 160-acre proration unit being the NE/4 of said Section 8, WAW Fruitland-Pictured Cliffs Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico. The authorization for infill drilling granted by this order is an exception to applicable well spacing requirements and is necessary to permit the drainage of a portion of the reservoir covered by the existing 160-acre proration unit which cannot efficiently and economically be drained by any existing well thereon.
- (2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

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DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year herein-above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OLL CONSERVATION DIVISION

JOE D. RAMEY Director

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Dockets Nos. 20-79 and 21-79 are tentatively set for hearing on May 23 and June 13, 1979. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - UEDNESDAY - MAY 9, 1979

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

- The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Richard L. Stamets, Alternate Examiner:
- CASE 6544: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to permit Geologic Resources, Inc., United States Fire Insurance Company, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the B. T. Godec Strat. Test Well No. 1 located in Unit I of Section 25, Township 12 North, Range 8 East, Santa Fe County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program.
- CASE 6492: (Continued from April 25, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the San Andres formation underlying the NE/4 NN/4 of Section 13, Township 17 South, Range 25 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

- CASE 6534: Application of Amoco Production for simultaneous dedication and an unorthodox location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the simultaneous dedication of its Gilluly Fed. Well No. 17 at an unorthodox location in Unit H of Section 24, Township 20 South, Range 36 East, Eumont Gas Pool, along with the three wells now dedicated to the previously approved 480-acre unit comprising the N/2 and SE/4 of said Section 24.
- CASE 6535: Application of Torreon Oil Company for a waterflood project, Sandoval County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project in the San Luis-Mesaverde Pool by the injection of water into the Menefee formation through two wells located in Section 21, Township 18 North, Range 3 West, Sandoval County, New Mexico.
- CASE 6536: Application of Black River Corp. for two non-standard gas proration units, Lea County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for two 80-acre non-standard gas proration units in the Jalmat Gas Pool as follows: the N/2 SE/4 of Section 22, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, to be dedicated to applicant's well to be drilled in Unit J of said Section 22; and the S/2 SE/4 of said Section 22 to be dedicated to El Paso Natural Gas Company's Shell State Well NO. 3 located in Unit P.
- Application of Harper 011 Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for its West Ranger Lake Unit Area, comprising 1,120 acres, more or less, of State lands in Township 12 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 6538: Application of Bedford, Inc., for approval of infill drilling, San Juan County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a wniver of existing well spacing requirements and a finding that the drilling of its Ram Well No. 1-A located in Unit G of Section 8, Township 26

 North, Range 12 West, WAW Fruitland-Pictured Cliffs Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain that portion of the proration unit which cannot be so drained by the existing well.
- Application of Continental Oil Company for a dual completion; Eddy County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the dual completion of its James Ranch
 Unit Well No. 7 located in Unit G of Section 6, Township 23 South, Range 31 East, Eddy County, New
 Mexico, to produce gas from the Morrow and Atoka formations, Los Medanos Field, through parallel
 strings of tubing.
- CASE 6540:
 Application of Caulkins Oil Company for an NGPA determination, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a Section 108 stripper gas well determination for its
 State B Well No. 233 located in Unit D of Section 16, Township 26 North, Range 6 West, South
 Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- CASE 6541: Application of Sun Oil Company for an unorthodox well location, Chaves County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its State H
 Well No. 17, 1328 feet from the North line and 1336 feet from the East line of Section 16, Township
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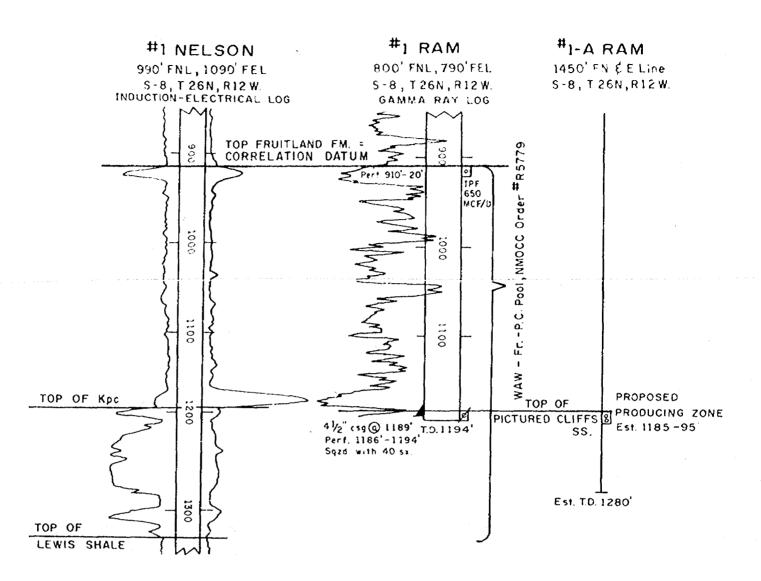
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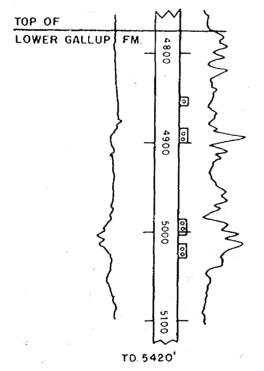
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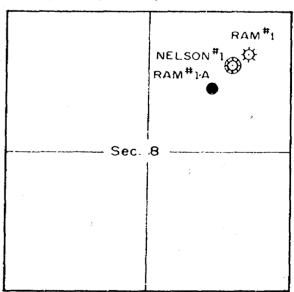
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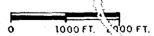


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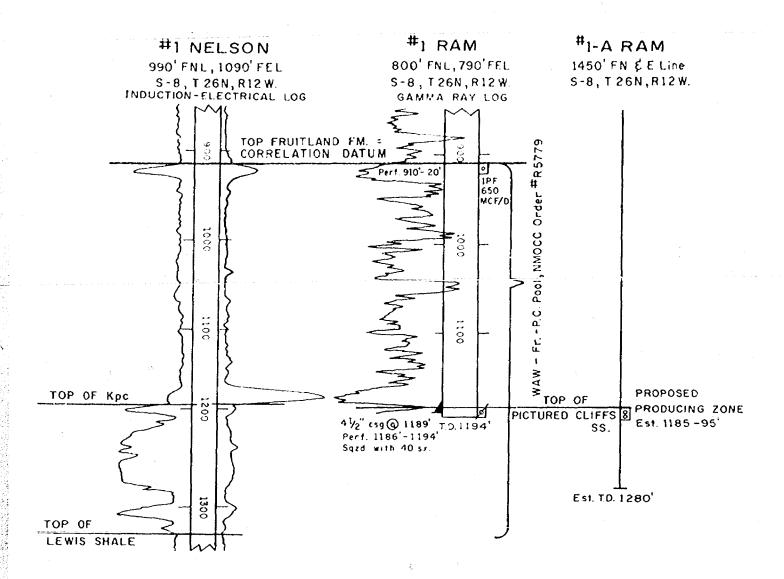
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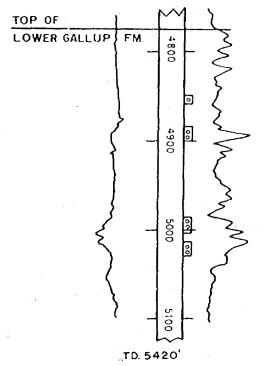
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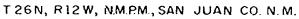
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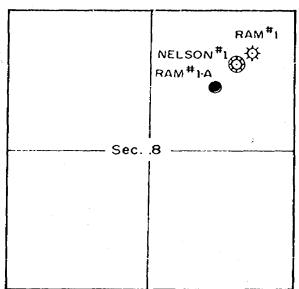
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April 11, 1979

Mr. Joe Ramey Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION SANTA FE

Re: Bedford, Inc.
Application for infill drilling

Dear Joe:

Jason Kellahin

Please set the enclosed case for hearing on the next available docket which I understand to be May 9th.

I would appreciate written confirmation of the hearing date for this case.

W. Thomas Kellahin

Very truly your

WTK: kfm

Enclosure

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION P. O. BOX 2088 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

April 12, 1979

Mr. Thomas Kellahin Kellahin & Kellahin Attorneys at Law Post Offica Box 1769 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Dear Tom:

The application of Bedford, Inc. for approval of infill drilling in San Juan County, New Mexico, was received on April 11, 1979. It has been set for the examiner hearing of May 9, 1979.

A copy of the docket will be mailed to you as soon as it is printed.

Yours very truly,

Florene Davidson Administrative Secretary

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND MINERALS

Case 6538

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Respectfully submitted,

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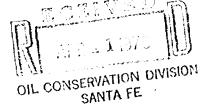
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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO.	6538
Order No.	R-6027

APPLICATION OF BEDFORD, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF INFILL DRILLING, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

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BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on __May 9

19_79_, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner __Daniel S. Nutter

NOW, on this ______ day of ____ May _____, 19_79___, the

Division Director, 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 Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, Bedford, Inc., seeks a waiver of existing well spacing requirements and a finding that the drilling of its Ram Well No. 1-A located in Unit G of Section 8, Township 26 North, Range 12 West, WAW Fruitland-Pictured Cliffs Pool, San

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Juan County, New Mexico, is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain that portion of the proration unit which cannot be so drained by the existing well.

(3) That the standard spacing unit in the WAN Fruitland-
Pictured Cliffs Pool is 160 acres. Handard
14) That Bedford, Inc. is the operator of an a 160 - acre tract consisting of the NE/4 of said Section 8
in the WAW Fruitland-Pictured Cliffs Pool.
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forming an approvedacre non-standard provation unit
for said pool.
(5) That said 160 -acre non-standard provation unit is dedicated to the applicant's Ram Well No. 1
located in Unit A of said Section B .
(6) That production from said Ram Well No. 1 is
productive from the Fruitland zone of the WAW Fruitland Pictured Cliffs Pool but is non-productive from the Pictured (2) That during said
was extensively worked over; being cleaned out, having additional
zones perforated, and being acid fraced.
(9) That said workover was unsuccessful and In fact
production declined to an average rate of MCF per
month or a figure equal to about percent of its
preworkover rate.
(10) That the evidence presented demonstrated that said
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(7) That the applicant proposes to complete its Ram well No 1-A in the Pictured Cliffs zone of the NAW Fruitland. Pictured Cliffs Pool.

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- () That such additional recovery from the non-standard proration unit will result in such unit being more efficiently and economically drained.
- (10) That said Ram Well No. 1-A is to be drilled as an "infill" well on the existing 160 -acre pen-standard proration unit.
- of the reservoir covered by said 160 -acre non-standard proration unit which cannot be effectively and efficiently drained by the existing well thereon, the subject application for infill drilling should be approved as an exception to the standard well spacing requirements for said WAW Fruitland-Pictured Cliffs Pool.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- authorized to drill its Ram Well No. 1-A to be located in Unit G of Section 8, Township 26 South, Range 12 West, as an infill well on an ixix existing 160 -acre non-standard proration unit being the of said Section 8, WAW Fruitland-Pictured Cliffs Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico. The authorization for infill drilling granted by this order is an exception to applicable well spacing requirements and is necessary to permit the drainage of a portion of the reservoir covered by the existing 160 -acre non-standard proration unit which cannot efficiently and economically be drained by any existing well thereon.
- (2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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