Entered October 5, 1983

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. 7965 Order No. R-1069-H

APPLICATION OF HICKS OIL AND GAS COMPANY FOR AN EXCEPTION TO DIVISION ORDER NO. R-1069-B, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on September 28, 1983, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this <u>5th</u> day of October, 1983, 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, Hicks Oil and Gas Company, seeks an exception to $\frac{\text{RULE 2}}{\text{Gallup}}$ of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Bisti-Lower $\frac{\text{Gallup}}{\text{Gallup}}$ Oil Pool as promulgated by Division Order No. R-1069-B to provide for 80-acre proration units comprising either the N/2, S/2, E/2 or W/2 of any single governmental quarter section in Section 2, Township 25 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the application is sought to permit the applicant flexibility in developing a new "sandstone bar" which may lie in this portion of said pool.
- (4) That the approval of the subject application will permit the applicant to recover oil from said pool which might not otherwise be recovered, thereby preventing waste, and will not violate correlative rights.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, Hicks Oil and Gas Company, is hereby granted an exception to <u>RULE 2</u> of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool as promulgated by Division Order No. R-1069-B, to permit the development of Section 2, Township 25 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, on 80-acre oil proration units consisting of the N/2, S/2, E/2, or W/2 of any single governmental quarter section contained therein.
- (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 herein-above designated.

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JOE D. RAMEY Director

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