

*Entered October 19, 1966
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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. 3475
Order No. R-3138

APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL COMPANY
FOR AN UNORTHODOX LOCATION, EDDY COUNTY,
NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on October 11, 1966, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 19th day of October, 1966, 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, Marathon Oil Company, seeks an exception to the Special Rules and Regulations for the Indian Basin-Upper Pennsylvanian Gas Pool to drill its Indian Hills Unit Well No. 6 "Comm" at an unorthodox location 1440 feet from the South line and 1440 feet from the East line of Section 17, Township 21 South, Range 24 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(3) That the drilling of a well at the proposed location will not result in the violation of correlative rights.

(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 Indian Basin-Upper Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of

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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, Marathon Oil Company, is hereby granted an exception to the well location requirements of the Special Rules and Regulations governing the Indian Basin-Upper Pennsylvanian Gas Pool and is hereby authorized to drill its Indian Hills Unit Well No. 6 "Comm" at an unorthodox location 1440 feet from the South line and 1440 feet from the East line of Section 17, Township 21 South, Range 24 East, NMPM, Eddy 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


JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman


GUYTON B. HAYS, Member


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

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