Entered February 24, 1976

# 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. 5627 Order No. R-5169

APPLICATION OF J. R. CONE FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 18, 1976, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner, Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 24th day of February, 1976, 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, J. R. Cone, is the owner and operator of the Eubanks Well No. 3, located in Unit K of Section 14, Township 21 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant seeks authority to commingle Blinebry and Drinkard oil and gas production within the wellbore of the above-described well.
- (4) That from the Blinebry zone, the subject well is capable of marginal production only.
- (5) That from the Drinkard zone, the subject well is capable of low marginal production only.
- (6) That the proposed commingling may result in the recovery of additional hydrocarbons from each of the subject pools, thereby preventing waste, and will not violate correlative rights.
- (7) That the reservoir characteristics of each of the subject zones are such that underground waste would not be caused by the proposed commingling provided that the well is not shut-in for an extended period.

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- (8) That to afford the Commission the opportunity to assess the potential for waste and to expeditiously order appropriate remedial action, the operator should notify the Hobbs district office of the Commission any time the subject well is shut-in for 7 consecutive days.
- (9) That in order to allocate the commingled production to each of the commingled zones in the subject well, 25 percent of the commingled oil production and 81 percent of the commingled gas production should be allocated to the Blinebry zone, and 75 percent of the commingled oil production and 19 percent of the commingled gas production to the Drinkard zone.

### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, J. R. Cone, is hereby authorized to commingle Blinebry and Drinkard production within the well-bore of the Eubanks Well No. 3, located in Unit K of Section 14, Township 21 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (2) That 25 percent of the commingled oil production and 81 percent of the commingled gas production shall be allocated to the Blinebry zone and 75 percent of the commingled oil production and 19 percent of the commingled gas production shall be allocated to the Drinkard zone.
- (3) That the operator of the subject well shall immediately notify the Commission's Hobbs district office any time the well has been shut-in for 7 consecutive days and shall concurrently present, to the Commission, a plan for remedial action.
- (4) 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 herein-above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PHIL R. LUCERO, Chairman

MERY C. ARNOLD, Member

JOE D. RAMEY, Member & Secretary

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