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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. 6835 Order No. R-6322

APPLICATION OF ANADARKO PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR AN NGPA DETERMINATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on March 12, 1980, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 24th day of April, 1980, 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, Anadarko Production Company, seeks a determination by the Division, in accordance with Sections 2 (6) and 102 of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978, and the applicable rules of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, that its New Mexico State "AB" Com Well No. 1, located in Unit H of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, has discovered a new onshore reservoir from which natural gas was not produced in commercial quantities before April 20, 1977.

(3) That said well was completed in the Lower Morrow formation with perforations from 10,962 feet to 10,982 feet and from 10,988 feet to 10,994 feet, and a plugged-back depth of 11,219 feet after having been drilled to a total depth of 11,276 feet.

(4) That although there are several wells in the general vicinity of the subject well which have penetrated and are or were completed in the Lower Morrow formation, pressures and

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and productive capacity encountered in said New Mexico State "AB" Com Well No. 1 as compared to said wells are completely distinctive and are indicative of an undrained reservoir.

(5) That the combined geological and engineering data presented establishes that said New Mexico State "AB" Com Well No. 1 has been completed in a new onshore reservoir as defined by the provisions of Section 102 of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 and the applicable rules of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the Anadarko Production Company New Mexico State "AB" Com Well No. 1, located in Unit H of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, is completed in a new onshore reservoir as defined by Sections 2 (6) and 102 of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978, and the applicable rules of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is hereby 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 OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION JOE D. RAMEY Director

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