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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. 7059
Order No. R-6519

APPLICATION OF GULF OIL CORPORATION
FOR THE EXTENSION OF VERTICAL LIMITS
OF THE LANGLIE MATTIX POOL, LEA
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on October 29, 1980, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 17th day of November, 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, Gulf Oil Corporation, seeks the contraction of the vertical limits of the Jalmat Pool and the upward extension of the vertical limits of the Langlie Mattix Pool to a depth of 3406 feet under the W/2 SW/4 of Section 30, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, said tract being the location of applicant's Woolworth Wells Nos. 4 and 5.
- (3) That the vertical limits of the Jalmat Pool as defined by Order No. R-520, dated August 12, 1954, include the Tansill and Yates formations and all but the lowermost 100 feet of the Seven Rivers formation.
- (4) That the vertical limits of the Langlie-Mattix Pool, as defined by said Order No. R-520, include the lowermost 100 feet of the Seven Rivers formation and all of the Queen formation.

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(5) That there has been some disparity among some geologists as to the actual base of the Seven Rivers formation and the top of the Queen formation and hence as to the location of the 100-foot marker separating the Jalmat and Langlie-Mattix Pools.

(6) That as a result of this disparity, the subject wells and certain other wells in the general area which are classified as Langlie-Mattix wells have perforations extending across the aforesaid 100-foot marker in the Seven Rivers formation and into the Jalmat Pool.

(7) That such crossing over from one pool into the other in this case appears to be an unintentional error.

(8) That to rectify the aforesaid error would require workover operations on the subject wells which would be expensive and might endanger the productivity of the subject wells, and would actually serve no beneficial purpose, inasmuch as the production and reservoir characteristics of the perforations immediately above and below the 100-foot marker are quite similar.

(9) That a reasonable solution to the problem is to contract the vertical limits of the Jalmat Pool and to adjust the vertical limits of the Langlie-Mattix Pool upward to a depth of 3406 feet to accommodate the present perforations in the lower Seven Rivers formation which are actually within the present Jalmat vertical limits in applicant's Woolworth Wells Nos. 4 and 5.

(10) That such adjustment will prevent waste and should not impair correlative rights and should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the lowermost vertical limit of the Jalmat Pool underlying the W/2 SW/4 of Section 30, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, is hereby contracted to a depth of 3,406 feet, subsurface, and the uppermost limit of the Langlie-Mattix Pool underlying said tract is hereby extended upward to the same subsurface depth, 3,406 feet.

(2) That the effective date of the aforesaid revision of the vertical limits of said pools shall be the date the Gulf Oil Corporation Woolworth Wells Nos. 4 and 5 were perforated between 3,406 feet and 3,440 feet, and 3,414 feet and 3,455 feet, respectively.

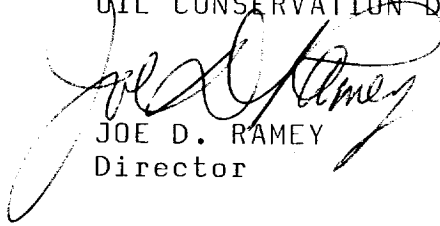
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(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

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

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Director

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