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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. 7307
Order No. R-6734

APPLICATION OF MESA PETROLEUM
COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on July 15, 1981, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 28th day of July, 1981, 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, Mesa Petroleum Company, seeks an order pooling all royalty interests in the Mesaverde formation underlying the W/2 of Section 23, Township 26 North, Range 6 West, NMPM, Blanco Mesaverde Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

(3) That the applicant has the right to drill and has drilled its Federal Well No. 12E at a standard location thereon.

(4) That there are interest owners in the proposed proration unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.

(5) That to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to protect correlative rights, and to afford to the owner of each interest in said unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the gas in said pool, the subject application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests, whatever they may be, within said unit.

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(6) That the applicant should be designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

(7) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason should be placed in escrow to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That all royalty interests, whatever they may be, in the Mesaverde formation underlying the W/2 of Section 23, Township 26 North, Range 6 West, NMPM, Blanco Mesaverde Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, are hereby pooled to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit to be dedicated to the Mesa Petroleum Company Federal Well No. 12E drilled at a standard location thereon.

(2) That Mesa Petroleum Company is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

(3) That any unsevered mineral interest shall be considered a seven-eighths (7/8) working interest and a one-eighth (1/8) royalty interest for the purpose of allocating costs and charges under the terms of this order.

(4) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason shall immediately be placed in escrow in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership; that the operator shall notify the Division of the name and address of said escrow agent within 30 days from the date of first deposit with said escrow agent.

(5) 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.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION


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Director

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