### 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. 8609 Order No. R-8069

APPLICATION OF HONDO DRILLING COMPANY FOR HARDSHIP GAS WELL CLASSIFICATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE DIVISION

#### BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8 a.m. on July 2, 1985, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Gilbert P. Quintana.

NOW, on this <u>31st</u> day of October, 1985, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

## FINDS THAT:

- (1) Due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) The evidence in Cases 8609, 8610, and 8611 was combined for purposes of testimony.
- (3) The applicant, Hondo Drilling Company, seeks a determination that its Union Texas State Com Well No. 1, located 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 17, Township 19 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, is a hardship gas well which should be granted priority access to pipeline takes in order to avoid waste.
- (4) The evidence presented by the applicant was insufficient or inconclusive in showing that waste had occurred or would occur if the well were not granted a hardship classification.
- (5) The applicant's request to grant the Union Texas State Com Well No. 1 a hardship gas well classification should be denied.

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# IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- (1) The application of Hondo Drilling Company for a hardship gas well classification for its Union Texas State Com Well No. 1 located in Unit N of Section 17, Township 19 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, is hereby denied.
- (2) 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

R. L. STAMETS

Director

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