Entered Jane 11, 1964

# 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. 3047 Order No. R-2717

APPLICATION OF EL PASO NATURAL GAS COMPANY FOR THREE NON-STANDARD GAS PRORATION UNITS AND ONE UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on May 27, 1964, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this 3rd day of June, 1964, 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, El Paso Natural Gas Company, seeks approval of the following-described non-standard gas proration units in the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool:

## NEW MEXICO PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN

# SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST

(a) A 376.88-acre unit comprising the SE/4 and E/2 SW/4 and Lots 1, 2, and 3 of Section 9 and Lots 3 and 4 and the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 10.

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- (b) A 357.84-acre unit comprising the SE/4, S/2 SW/4, and NE/4 SW/4 and Lots 1 and 2 of Section 10 and Lots 3 and 4 of Section 11.
- (c) A 359.20-acre unit comprising the S/2 and Lots 1 and 2 of Section 11.
- (3) That the applicant also seeks an exception to the Special Rules and Regulations for the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool to drill a well at an unorthodox location 1650 feet from the South line and 825 feet from the East line of Section 9, Township 32 North, Range 7 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- (4) That each of the proposed non-standard gas proration units can be efficiently and economically drained and developed by one well.
- (5) That approval of the subject application will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, and otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the following-described non-standard gas proration units in the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool are hereby approved:

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- (2) That the applicant, El Paso Natural Gas Company, is hereby granted an exception to the well location requirements of the Special Rules and Regulations governing the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool and is hereby authorized to drill a well at an unorthodox location 1650 feet from the South line and 825 feet from the East line of Section 9, Township 32 North, Range 7 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- (3) 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

JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman

E. S. WALKER, Member

A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

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