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# 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. 4324 Order No. R-3937

APPLICATION OF PENNZOIL UNITED, INC., FOR AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on March 25, 1970, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this lst day of April, 1970, 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, Pennzoil United, Inc., seeks an exception to the well location requirements of the Special Rules and Regulations governing the Lea-Bone Springs Pool to complete its Mescalero Ridge Unit Well No. 2 at an unorthodox location for said pool 2310 feet from the South line and 1800 feet from the East line of Section 35, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the subject well was drilled at a standard location to test the Morrow formation but was not productive of gas in said formation and was subsequently recompleted in the Bone Springs formation as an oil well.
- (4) That the applicant proposes to dedicate the N/2 SE/4 of said Section 35 to the subject well.

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(5) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the oil in the Lea-Bone Springs Pool, 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 applicant, Pennzoil United, Inc., is hereby granted an exception to the well location requirements of the Special Rules and Regulations governing the Lea-Bone Springs Pool to complete its Mescalero Ridge Unit Well No. 2 at an unorthodox location for said pool 2310 feet from the South line and 1800 feet from the East line of Section 35, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (2) 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 hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

DAVID F. CARGO, Chairman

ALTX J. ARMIJO Member

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

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