

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND MINERALS
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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SEP 8 1983

IN THE MATTER OF THE
APPLICATION OF TENNECO OIL
COMPANY, FOR COMPULSORY
POOLING, CHAVES COUNTY,
NEW MEXICO.

CASE: 7971

A P P L I C A T I O N

Comes now Tenneco Oil Company, and applies to the Oil Conservation Division of New Mexico for an order pooling all mineral interests in the Dakota and Mesa Verde Formations underlying the E/2 of Section 2, Township 30 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, for the formation of a proration and spacing unit for the said production and in support thereof would show the Commission:

1. Applicant is the owner of the right to drill and develop the E/2 of Section 2, Township 30 North, Range 9 West.
2. Applicant proposes to drill a well to test the Dakota formation and Mesa Verde formation with the possibility of completing the well as a dual completion.
3. In the event of a Dakota/Mesa Verde dual, the E/2 of the subject section will be dedicated to the well.

4. Applicant has sought to obtain the cooperation of all parties.

5. In order to obtain their just and equitable share of the production underlying the above lands, Applicant needs an order pooling the mineral interest involved.

6. Those who have not consented to join in the drilling of the well, with their addresses, to the best of applicant's information and belief, are as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DAKOTA INTEREST</u>	<u>MESA VERDE INTEREST</u>
Depco Inc. 110 16th Street Suite 1000 Denver, CO 80202	9.4084% WI	-0- WI
Murphy Oil Corporation 200 Jefferson Avenue El Dorado, Arkansas 71730	6.2722% WI	-0- WI

7. The parties named in paragraph 5 above have been furnished a copy of this application.

WHEREFORE applicant prays that this application be set for hearing before the Division's duly appointed examiner, and that after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order pooling the mineral interest described herein. Applicant further prays that it be named operator of the well, and that the order make provision for applicant to recover out of production its

costs of drilling the subject well, completing and equipping it, costs of operation, including costs of supervision and a risk factor in the amount of 200% for the drilling of the well, for such other and further relief as may be proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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