# STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

**18 1994** 

CASE NO. 11041

APPLICATION OF PG&E RESOURCES COMPANY FOR POOL CREATION, SPECIAL POOL RULES AND A DISCOVERY ALLOWABLE, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

# **PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by PG&E RESOURCES COMPANY as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

#### APPEARANCE OF PARTIES

**APPLICANT** 

**ATTORNEY** 

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## STATEMENT OF CASE

#### **APPLICANT**

PG&E Resources Company has drilled, completed and now operates its Smith "15" Well No. 1, located 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 15, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, which constitutes a "new oil discovery" for the production of oil from the Strawn formation.

The nearest Strawn oil production is some two miles to the east in the Northwest Lovington-Strawn Pool.

Based upon this discovery, PG&E Resources Company seeks the creation of a new pool to be designated the Diamond-Strawn Pool which shall be defined as all of the Strawn formation as identified on the log of the discovery well, the top of which is located at 11453 feet and the bottom of which is located 11574 feet with an initial pool boundary consisting of:

# TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST Section 15: S/2 SW/4

PG&E Resources Inc. also seeks a "discovery oil allowable" for the discovery well as set forth in Division General Rule 509 (A).

In addition, PG&E Resources Company requests the adoption of the following Special Rules and Regulations for this pool:

- (a) 80-acre oil spacing and proration units;
- (b) with no more than one producing well for each 80-acre spacing or proration unit;
- (c) well locations within 150 feet of the center of a governmental quarter-quarter section;
- (d) a special limiting gas oil ratio of 2,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil;

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- (e) a special depth bracket maximum oil allowable of 445 barrels of oil per day per oil spacing unit;
- (f) that each well completed or recompleted in the Diamond-Strawn Pool or the Strawn formation within one mile thereof, shall be spaced, drilled operated and produced in accordance with these special rules.

# PROPOSED EVIDENCE

## APPLICANT:

| WITNESSES                          | EST. TIME | EXHIBITS   |
|------------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Jerry Anderson (landman)           | 15 min.   | 2 exhibits |
| Ralph Nelson (geologist)           | 20 Min.   | 3 exhibits |
| George Vaughn (petroleum engineer) | 20 Min.   | 3 exhibits |

#### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

By:

None applicable at this time.

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