## BEFORE THE

## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF RICHARDSON OPERATING COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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## **APPLICATION**

attorneys, and hereby makes application for an order approving an unorthodox well location in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, and in support thereof states:

1. Applicant in the annual Coal Gas Pool, and in support thereof states:

- 1. Applicant is the operator of the SE/4 NE/4 of Section 12, Township 29 North, Range 13 West, N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico and proposes to drill its Ropco Federal 12-2 Well in the Fruitland formation, Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, 1,630 feet from the North line and 770 feet from the East line in Unit H of said Section 12.
- 2. Applicant seeks an exception to Rule 7 of the Special Pool Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas pool to permit the drilling of said well in the Fruitland formation at the above-described location.
- 3. A standard 320-acre spacing and proration unit comprised of the E/2 of said Section 12 should be dedicated to the well.
- 4. Approval of this application will afford Applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the hydrocarbons from the Fruitland formation and will otherwise be in the best interest of the conservation, the protection of correlative rights and the prevention of waste.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this matter be set for hearing before a duly appointed Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on October 13, 1994, and after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its Order granting this application and providing such other relief as is proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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