

CASE 11328: Application of Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation for a high angle/horizontal directional drilling pilot project and for the promulgation of special operating rules therefor, Sandoval County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to initiate a high angle/horizontal directional drilling pilot project in the Media-Entrada Oil Pool within its proposed Media Entrada Secondary (Federal) Unit comprising portions of Sections 14, 15, 22, and 23, Township 19 North, Range 3 West. Further, the applicant seeks the promulgation of special operating rules and procedures for wells within said Unit Area including provisions for administrative authorization for horizontal wells, the formation of oversized and irregular shaped spacing and proration units to accommodate such wellbores, the assignment of a special oil allowable or formula for the project area and the designation of a target window such that horizontal or producing portions of such a wellbore shall be no closer than 330 feet to the outer boundary of the project area. Said area is located approximately 14 miles southwest of Cuba, New Mexico.

CASE 11329: Application of Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation to amend Division Order No. R-9079, to extend the horizontal limits of the existing high angle/horizontal directional drilling pilot project area, and to adopt additional special operating rules therefor, McKinley County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to amend Division Order No. R-9079 by extending the project area approved therein to include the S/2 NW/4, SE/4 NW/4, NE/4 SW/4, and S/2 SW/4 of Section 15 and the SE/4 NE/4 and NE/4 SE/4 of Section 16, of Township 19 North, Range 5 West. Further, the applicant seeks the promulgation of special operating rules and procedures for wells within said Cooperative Area including provisions for administrative authorization for horizontal wells, the formation of oversized and irregular shaped spacing and proration units to accommodate such wellbores, the assignment of a special oil allowable or formula for the project area and the designation of a target window such that horizontal or producing portions of such a wellbore shall be no closer than 330 feet to the outer boundary of the project area. Said area is located approximately 22 miles northwest of San Luis, New Mexico.

CASE 11270: (Continued from June 15, 1995, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Maralo, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying Lots 3 and 4, the S/2 NW/4, and the SW/4 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 28 East, thereby forming a 320.90-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical extent, which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Millman-Wolfcamp Gas Pool, Undesignated Millman-Atoka Gas Pool, Undesignated North Turkey Track-Atoka Gas Pool, and Undesignated Millman-Morrow Gas Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard gas well location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as the operator of the well and unit, and a charge for risk involved in drilling and completing said well. Said unit is located approximately 3 miles east-southeast of the old Illinois Oil Camp.

CASE 11330: Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for downhole commingling, a non-standard gas proration unit, dual completion, and an unorthodox gas well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to downhole commingle conventional East Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool gas production with coal gas production from the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool and to dual said commingled production with gas production from the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool within the wellbore of its San Juan "30-4" Unit Well No. 40 to be drilled at an unorthodox gas well location for all three zones 2450 feet from the South line and 2270 feet from the East line (Unit J) of Section 21, Township 30 North, Range 4 West. The E/2 of said Section 21 is to be dedicated to said well in all three zones thereby forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit in the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool and Blanco-Mesaverde Pool and a non-standard unit for the East Blanco-Mesaverde Pool. Said unit is located approximately 18 miles southwest of Dulce, New Mexico.

CASE 11297: (Continued from June 15, 1995, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Exxon Corporation for a waterflood project, qualification for the recovered oil tax rate pursuant to the "New Mexico Enhanced Oil Recovery Act" for said project, and for 18 non-standard oil well locations, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to institute a waterflood project in the designated and Undesignated Avalon-Delaware Pool within its proposed Avalon Delaware Unit Area (being the subject of Case No. 11298) located in portions of Townships 20 and 21 South, Ranges 27 and 28 East, by the injection of water through 18 new wells to be drilled as injection wells and one well to be converted from a producing oil well to an injection well. Applicant further seeks to qualify this project for the recovered oil tax rate pursuant to the "New Mexico Enhanced Oil Recovery Act" (Law 1992, Chapter 38, Sections 1 through 5). Applicant further seeks approval to drill 18 new producing wells throughout the project area at locations considered to be unorthodox. The proposed unit area is centered approximately 8 miles north of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

CASE 11323: Application of Stevens & Tull, Inc. for an exception to the casing requirements of Division Order No. R-111-P, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above styled-cause, seeks authority to delete the salt protection string requirements of Division Order No. R-111-P in the "Oil-Potash Area" from its proposed Federal "9" Well No. 7 to be drilled 2310 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line (Unit I) of Section 9, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, to test the West Teas-Yates Seven Rivers Pool. Said well site is located approximately one mile north of U. S. Highway 62/180 at mile post No. 72.

CASE 11324: (This Case will be Continued to July 13, 1995, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. for a high angle/horizontal directional drilling pilot project, special operating rules therefor, a non-standard oil proration unit, and a special project allowable, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to initiate a high angle/horizontal directional drilling pilot project in the West Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool underlying Lots 3 and 4, the E/2 SW/4, and the SE/4 (S/2 equivalent) of irregular Section 31, Township 25 North, Range 3 West, to form a non-standard 335.93-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool. The applicant proposes to re-complete the existing L. L. McConnell Well No. 13, located at a standard surface location 970 feet from the South line and 1800 feet from the West line (Unit N) of said Section 31, by kicking-off from vertical in an easterly direction commencing to build angle at an appropriate rate to horizontally traverse the proposed producing area. Further, the applicant seeks the promulgation of special operating rules and procedures therefor including the designation of a target window such that the horizontal or producing portion of the wellbore shall be no closer than 790 feet to the outer boundary of the project area, and for a special project allowable. Said area is located approximately 8.5 miles west-northwest of Lindrith, New Mexico.

CASE 11325: (This Case will be Continued to July 13, 1995, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. for a high angle/horizontal directional drilling pilot project, special operating rules therefor, a non-standard oil proration unit, and a special project allowable, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to initiate a high angle/horizontal directional drilling pilot project in the West Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool underlying the S/2 of Section 17, Township 25 North, Range 3 West, to form a non-standard 320-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool. The applicant proposes to re-complete the existing C. W. Roberts Well No. 4, located at a previously approved unorthodox surface oil well location (Division Administrative Order NSL-626) 660 feet from the South and West lines (Unit M) of said Section 17, by kicking-off from vertical in an easterly direction commencing to build angle at an appropriate rate to horizontally traverse the proposed producing area. Further, the applicant seeks the promulgation of special operating rules and procedures therefor including the designation of a target window such that the horizontal or producing portion of the wellbore shall be no closer than 660 feet to the outer boundary of the project area, and for a special project allowable. Said area is located approximately 9 miles northwest of Lindrith, New Mexico.

CASE 11326: (This Case will be Continued to July 13, 1995, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. for a high angle/horizontal directional drilling pilot project, special operating rules therefor, a non-standard oil proration unit, simultaneous dedication, and a special project allowable, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to initiate a high angle/horizontal directional drilling pilot project in the West Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool underlying the S/2 of Section 21, Township 25 North, Range 3 West, to form a non-standard 320-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool. The applicant proposes to re-complete the existing Jicarilla "C" Well No. 35, located at a standard surface location 1850 feet from the South line and 1190 feet from the West line (Unit L) of said Section 21, by kicking-off from vertical in an easterly direction commencing to build angle at an appropriate rate to horizontally traverse the proposed producing area. Further, the applicant seeks the promulgation of special operating rules and procedures therefor including the designation of a target window such that the horizontal or producing portion of the wellbore shall be no closer than 790 feet to the outer boundary of the project area. The applicant also requests the assignment of a special project allowable for the proposed oversized oil spacing and proration unit to be simultaneously dedicated to both the Jicarilla "C" Well No. 35 and to the Jicarilla "C" Well No. 26, located at a standard oil well location 1850 feet from the South line and 790 feet from the East line (Unit I) of said Section 21. Said area is located approximately 7.5 miles northwest of Lindrith, New Mexico.

CASE 11327: Application of Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation for a high angle/horizontal directional drilling pilot project and for the promulgation of special operating rules therefor, Sandoval County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to initiate a high angle/horizontal directional drilling pilot project in the designated and Undesignated Snake Eyes-Entrada Oil Pool underlying a single fee lease comprising all or portions of Sections 19, 20, and 21, Township 21 North, Range 8 West. Further, the applicant seeks the promulgation of special operating rules and procedures for wells within said project area including provisions for administrative authorization for horizontal wells, the formation of oversized and irregular shaped spacing and proration units to accommodate such wellbores, the assignment of a special oil allowable or formula for the project area and the designation of a target window such that horizontal or producing portions of such a wellbore shall be no closer than 330 feet to the outer boundary of the project area. Said area is located approximately 16 miles south by east of Nageesi, New Mexico.