

**CASE 11448:** (Continued from March 7, 1996, Examiner Hearing.)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division ("Division") on its own motion to permit Rhonda Operating Co., owner/operator, American Employers' Insurance Company, surety, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the State 29 Well No. 2, located 1977 feet from the North line and 670 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 29, Township 8 South, Range 33 East, Chaves County, New Mexico (which is approximately 17 miles southeast of Kenna, New Mexico), should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program. Should the operator fail to properly plug said well, the Division should then be authorized to take such action as is deemed necessary to have the well properly plugged and abandoned and to direct the owner/operator to pay the costs of such plugging.

**CASE 11507:** In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division ("Division") on its own motion to permit the operator Petroleum Development Corporation, United New Mexico Bank, Albuquerque, New Mexico, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the El Poso Ranch Well Nos. 8 and 11, located in Unit N of Section 14 and Unit K of Section 14, both in Township 28 North, Range 1 East, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program, authorizing the Division to plug said well, and ordering a forfeiture of the plugging bond. Said wells are located approximately 4 miles northwest of El Vado, New Mexico.

**CASE 11508:** In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division ("Division") on its own motion to permit the operator Spur Oil Inc., Old Republic Insurance Company, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Samantha Well No. 1 located in Unit L of Section 26, Township 28 North, Range 1 East; Samantha Well No. 2 located in Unit K of Section 26, Township 28 North, Range 1 East; Samantha Well No. 3 located in Unit N of Section 26, Township 28 North, Range 1 East; Gonzales 13 Well No. 1 located in Unit I of Section 13, Township 31 North, Range 1 East; Gonzales 18 Well No. 1 located in Unit M of Section 18, Township 31 North, Range 2 East; Quinlan Ranch Well No. 1 located in Unit H of Section 23, Township 32 North, Range 2 East; and the Quinlan Ranch Well No. 2 located in Unit N of Section 19, Township 31 North, Range 3 East; Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program, authorizing the Division to plug said well, and ordering a forfeiture of the plugging bond. The three Samantha wells are located approximately 5 miles west-northwest of El Vado, New Mexico. The Gonzales 13 Well No. 1 and Gonzales 18 Well No. 1 are located approximately 4 and 6 miles east of Monero, New Mexico, respectively. The Quinlan Ranch Well Nos. 1 and 2 are located approximately 6 miles northwest and 6 miles north-northwest of Chama, New Mexico, respectively.

**CASE 11509:** In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division ("Division") on its own motion to permit the operator Chuza Operating, Underwriters Indemnity Co., and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the El Poso Ranch Wells Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 9 and 10, located in Units E of Section 26, P of Section 22, F of Section 14, C of Section 23, J of Section 14, N of Section 11, and O of Section 14, respectively, all in Township 28 North, Range 1 East, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program, authorizing the Division to plug said well, and ordering a forfeiture of the plugging bond. Said wells are located approximately 4 miles northwest of El Vado, New Mexico.

**CASE 11498:** (Continued from March 21, 1996, Examiner Hearing.)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division ("Division") on its own motion to permit CMS Oilfield Services, Inc., operator, United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, surety, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Caranta Well No. 1 (API No. 30-039-22806), located 1980 feet from the South and East lines (Unit J) of Section 23, Township 32 North, Range 1 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico (which is approximately 2 miles east by north of Dulce, New Mexico), should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program. Should the operator fail to properly plug said well, the Division should then be authorized to take such action as is deemed necessary to have the well properly plugged and abandoned and to direct the operator to pay the costs of such plugging. This well was the subject of a previous forced plugging case in which Division Order No. R-8304 was issued.

**CASE 11510:** Application of Branko, Inc. et al to reopen Case No. 10656, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval to reopen Case No. 10656 (Order No. R-9845) regarding the compulsory pooling of certain interests in a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit comprising the W/2 of Section 28, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, which is dedicated to Mitchell Energy Corporation's Tomahawk "28" Federal Com Well No. 1 located in Unit F of said Section 28. Said unit is located approximately 20 miles south-southeast of Maljamar, New Mexico.

**CASE 11481:** (Continued from March 21, 1996, Examiner Hearing.)

**Application of Nearburg Exploration Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico.** Applicant seeks approval to drill its proposed Black River "10" Federal Com Well No. 1 at an unorthodox gas well location 1330 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 10, Township 24 South, Range 26 East, to be dedicated to a standard 320-acre spacing unit consisting of the W/2 of said Section 10 and to be dedicated to any and all production therein including but not necessarily limited to the Undesignated South Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool. Said unit is located approximately 10 ½ miles southwest of Whites City, New Mexico.

**CASE 11475:** (Continued from March 21, 1996, Examiner Hearing)

**Application of Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.** Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the SW/4 of Section 23 for all formations developed on 160 acre spacing, in the W/2 SW/4 of Section 23 for all formations developed on 80-acre spacing and in the SW/4 SW/4 of Section 23 for all formations developed on 40-acre spacing, in Township 26 South, Range 37 East. Said units are to be dedicated to its Rhodes "23" Fed. Com Well No. 1 to be drilled at a standard location 660 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line in the SW/4 of said Section 23 and drilled to the Rhodes Yates-Seven Rivers Gas Pool. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the costs thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for the risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 5 miles south-southeast of Jal, New Mexico.

**CASE 11476:** (Continued from March 21, 1996, Examiner Hearing.)

**Application of Doyle Hartman and Margaret Hartman, d/b/a Doyle Hartman, Oil Operator, for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.** Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the SW/4 of Section 23, Township 26 South, Range 37 East for all formations developed on 160-acre spacing. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of said Section 23 and drilled to the Rhodes Yates-Seven Rivers Gas Pool. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the costs thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for the risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 5 miles south-southeast of Jal, New Mexico.