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

CASE NO. 11773 (Reopened)

APPLICATION OF CONOCO INC. FOR ADOPTION OF SPECIAL POOL RULES FOR WEST MALJAMAR-DEVONIAN POOL LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

# PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This pre-hearing statement is submitted by Conoco Inc., as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

# APPEARANCE OF PARTIES

# **APPLICANT**

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# STATEMENT OF CASE

On August 4, 1997, the Division entered Order R-10854 which approved Conoco's application for special pool rules for the West Maljamar-Devonian Pool and in doing so adopted the following:

- (a) 160-acre oil spacing and proration units;
- (b) with no more than one producing well for each 160-acre spacing or proration unit;

- (c) well locations within 330 feet of the side boundary of a governmental quarter-quarter section;
- (d) a special limiting gas oil ratio of 2,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil;
- (e) a special depth bracket maximum oil allowable of 900 barrels of oil per day per oil spacing unit; and
- (f) that each well completed or recompleted in this pool or the Devonian formation within one mile thereof, shall be spaced, drilled operated and produced in accordance with these special rules.

Conoco requests that these temporary rules to extended for an additional two year period. Conoco will present data from the discovery well demonstrating that 160-acre oil spacing is still appropriate

# PROPOSED EVIDENCE

# **APPLICANT:**

WITNESSES EST. TIME EXHIBITS

Paul Schulz (petroleum engineer) 25 Min. 8 exhibits

#### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

None anticipated at this time

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