

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY FOR AN EXCEPTION
TO RULES 3 AND 7(A) OF ORDER NO. R-369-A
FOR UNORTHODOX LOCATION AND AN UNORTHODOX
GAS PRORATION UNIT CONSISTING OF APPROXI-
MATELY 80 ACRES DESCRIBED AS THE N/2 NW/4
OF SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE
36 EAST, N.M.P.M., LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO,
FOR ITS STEVENS B-12 WELL NO. 1 IN THE
LANGMAT POOL

APPLICATION

Comes now Continental Oil Company, hereinafter called "applicant", and respectfully requests an exception to Rules 3 and 7(a) of Order No. R-369-A and approval by the Commission of an unorthodox location and unorthodox gas proration unit for applicant's Stevens B-12 well No. 1 as described in the caption hereof, and in support thereof would show the following:

1. Applicant is joint owner and is the operator of a lease known as the Stevens "B" Lease covering the N/2 NW/4 of Section 12, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico, in addition to other lands outside the northwest quarter of said Section 12.

2. Applicant drilled its Stevens B-12 No. 1 well at a location described as 660 feet from the north line and 1650 feet from the west line of Section 12, on said lease and completed said well on October 26, 1947, as a gas well producing from 2979 to 3460 in the Yates and Seven Rivers formations.

3. Said well is located within the limits of the Langmat Gas Pool as defined by the Oil Conservation Commission and is the only well producing from said pool on the 80-acre unit described above. The location of said well conforms to spacing requirements in effect at the time said well was drilled.

4. Pooling of these lands with lands outside the above described unit to form gas proration units consisting of governmental quarter sections has not been accomplished to date. Operators owning interests within this quarter section have been contacted for the purpose of investigating the feasibility of effecting a communitization. The purpose of this application is to secure an allowable to the above mentioned well, pending the formation of a larger proration unit provided such communitization is determined to be practicable.

5. The above described unit consists of less acreage than a standard proration unit, lies wholly within a regular quarter section and contains a well which was capable of producing gas into a gas transportation facility prior to January 1, 1954.

Wherefore, applicant respectfully requests the Commission to place this matter on its docket for hearing at an early date in June, 1954, cause due notice to be given thereof and upon hearing, enter an order approving an unorthodox gas proration unit and the unorthodox location for applicant's Stevens B-12 well no. 1 as described above.

CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY

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