BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 1658 Order No. R-1403

APPLICATION OF TEXACO, INC., FORMERLY THE TEXAS COMPANY, FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING A SALT WATER DISPOSAL WELL IN SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP II SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on May 6, 1959, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this 25^{---} day of May, 1959, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Texaco, Inc., is the owner and operator of the State "BN" (NCT-1) Well No. 1, located 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 25, Township II South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That the said State "BN" (NCT-1) Well No. 1, with a perforation interval from 9654 feet to 9710 feet, is presently producing oil from the Moore-Pennsylvanian Pool.

(4) That the applicant proposes to inject salt water down the annulus between the 8-5/8 inch casing and the 5½ inch casing of said State "BN" (NCT-1) Well No. 1 into the San Andres formation, the Glorieta formation, the Upper Clearfork formation, the Tubb formation, the Lower Clearfork formation, and the Abo formation in the interval from 3529 feet to 7430 feet.

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(5) That disposal of salt water down the aforesaid casing-casing annulus of said State "BN" (NCT-1) Well No. I would constitute a hazard to the Moore-Pennsylvanian Pool.

(6) That there are dry holes in the immediate area which can safely be utilized as salt water disposal wells.

(7) That the application should be denied.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That the application of Texaco, Inc., for an order authorizing the disposal of salt water in the State "BN" (NCT-1) Well No. 1, located 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 25, Township Il South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, be and the same is hereby <u>denied</u>.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JOHN BURROUGHS, Chairman

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MURRAY E. MORCAN, Member

L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

