

Case 2454

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
SOCONY MOBIL OIL COMPANY, INC. FOR
AN EXCEPTION TO STATEWIDE RULE 303(a)
TO PERMIT COMMINGLING OF PRODUCTION
FROM THE DENTON-DEVONIAN AND DENTON-
WOLFCAMP POOLS ON ITS T. D. POPE LEASE,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

A P P L I C A T I O N

Applicant states:

1. That applicant is the owner and operator of its T. D. Pope Lease, which includes the South Half ($S\frac{1}{2}$) of Section 26 and the ~~West Half ($W\frac{1}{2}$)~~ ^{E/2} of Section ³⁵~~36~~, Township 14 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

2. That the aforesaid lease and lands are now productive of oil and gas from the Denton-Devonian and Denton-Wolfcamp Pools through wells presently completed thereon and that one or more of said formations may be productive in the future from other wells which may be completed on said lease and lands.

3. That in order to eliminate the necessity for multiple surface installations for the handling, storage and measurement of production, applicant proposes to commingle production from the Denton-Devonian and Denton-Wolfcamp Pools.

4. That allocation of production shall be made according to the subtraction method as prescribed by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Manual for the Installation and Operation of Commingling Facilities, dated September 13, 1961.

5. That Rule 303(a) of the Rules and Regulations of the Commission prohibits the commingling of production from separate pools prior to marketing.

6. That hearing on this matter is necessary because the aforesaid Manual prohibits commingling of fluids by the subtraction method if one of the fluids has a gravity in excess of 45° API, which situation exists in this instance.

7. That the granting of this application will not cause waste nor impair correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, this applicant prays that this matter be set for hearing, that notice thereof be given as required by law, and that upon the evidence adduced at such hearing this Commission issue an Order permitting applicant to commingle production from said lease as herein set forth, and granting such other and further relief as this Commission may deem necessary and proper.

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