

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. 4510
Order No. R-4118

APPLICATION OF AMERADA HESS CORPORATION
FOR AMENDMENT OF SPECIAL POOL RULES, LEA
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 24, 1971, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this 16th day of March, 1971, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, 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 Special Rules and Regulations governing the Bronco-Siluro-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, were promulgated by Order No. R-510, dated July 15, 1954, which order was issued after joint hearings by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission and the Railroad Commission of Texas.

(3) That Rule 4 of Order No. R-510 established an allowable for the New Mexico portion of the Bronco-Siluro-Devonian Pool of 227 barrels of oil per day for standard proration units of 40 acres until further order.

(4) That Rule 5 of Order No. R-510 required the datum reservoir pressure be determined for all wells in the pool annually.

(5) That the applicant, Amerada Hess Corporation, seeks the amendment of the Special Rules and Regulations governing the

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Bronco-Siluro-Devonian Pool to permit the assignment of an allowable to wells in the subject pool on the basis of the statewide oil allowable rules and to no longer require the taking of datum reservoir pressures.

(6) That should the above requests be granted, the applicant proposes to petition the Railroad Commission of Texas for similar changes for that portion of the subject pool lying in Texas.

(7) That the allowable production for wells in New Mexico of like depth has increased greatly since the issuance of Order No. R-510.

(8) That in order to allocate or distribute the allowable production of oil among the fields in the state on an equitable basis, the top unit allowable for wells in the subject pool should be determined in accordance with Rule 505 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

(9) That there is no longer any need to determine the datum reservoir pressure of the wells in the pool.

(10) That the Special Rules and Regulations governing the Bronco-Siluro-Devonian Pool should be amended by deleting therefrom Rules 4 and 5.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That, effective April 1, 1971, the Special Rules and Regulations governing the Bronco-Siluro-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, are hereby amended by deleting therefrom Rules 4 and 5.

(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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



STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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