

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. 5397
Order No. R-4949-A

IN THE MATTER OF CASE 5397 BEING REOPENED
PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER NO.
R-4949, WHICH ORDER ESTABLISHED SPECIAL
RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE NORTH BURTON
FLATS-WOLFCAMP GAS POOL, EDDY COUNTY, NEW
MEXICO, INCLUDING A PROVISION FOR 320-ACRE
SPACING AND PRORATION UNITS.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 4,
1976, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 17th day of February, 1976, 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 by Order No. R-4949, dated January 22, 1975,
temporary special rules and regulations were promulgated for
the North Burton Flats-Wolfcamp Gas Pool, Eddy County, New
Mexico, establishing temporary 320-acre spacing units.
- (3) That pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-4949,
this case was reopened to allow the operators in the subject
pool to appear and show cause why the North Burton Flats-Wolf-
camp Gas Pool should not be developed on 160-acre spacing units.
- (4) That the evidence establishes that one well in the
North Burton Flats-Wolfcamp Gas Pool can efficiently and econom-
ically drain and develop 320 acres.
- (5) That the Special Rules and Regulations promulgated by
Order No. R-4949 have afforded and will afford to the owner of
each property in the pool the opportunity to produce his just
and equitable share of the gas in the pool.

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(6) That in order to prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, to avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, to prevent reduced recovery which might result from the drilling of too few wells, and to otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights, the Special Rules and Regulations promulgated by Order No. R-4949 should be continued in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the Special Rules and Regulations governing the North Burton Flats-Wolfcamp Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, promulgated by Order No. R-4949, are hereby continued in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

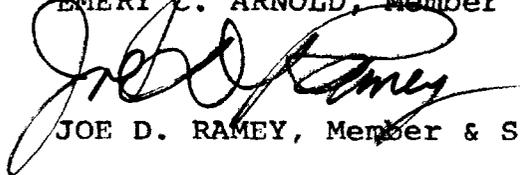
(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

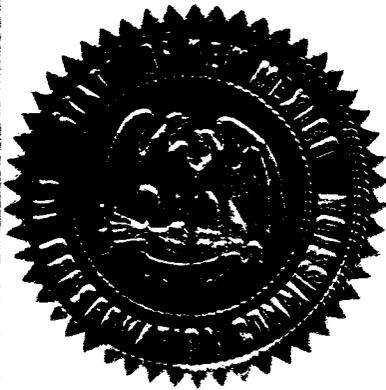
DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION


PHIL R. LUCERO, Chairman


EMERY C. ARNOLD, Member


JOE D. RAMEY, Member & Secretary



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