

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - THURSDAY - JULY 29, 1993
8:15 A.M. - MORGAN HALL, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Dockets Nos. 23-93 and 24-93 are tentatively set for August 12, 1993 and August 26, 1993. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 23 days in advance of hearing date.

The following cases will be heard before Michael E. Stogner, Examiner or David R. Catanach, Alternate Examiner:

CASE 10774: Application of Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L. P. for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of the Thistle Unit Agreement for an area comprising 4,880 acres, more or less, of Federal and State lands in Sections 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29, 32, 33, and 34, Township 23 South, Range 33 East, which is centered approximately 4 miles north of mile marker 27 and State Highway 128.

CASE 10775: Application of Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L.P. for an unorthodox infill gas well location and simultaneous dedication, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of an unorthodox well location 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit I) of Section 1, Township 24 South, Range 28 East, Malaga-Atoka Gas Pool. Further, the applicant seeks an exception to Division General Rule 104.c(2) to allow the existing 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit comprising the S/2 of said Section 1 to be simultaneously dedicated in the Malaga-Atoka Gas Pool to the proposed well and to the existing Malaga Federal 1 Well No. 1 located at a standard gas well location 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit N) of said Section 1. Said unit is located approximately 2 miles northeast of Malaga, New Mexico.

CASE 10767: (Continued from July 15, 1993, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L.P. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Cisco/Canyon formation underlying all of Section 5, Township 22 South, Range 24 East, forming a standard 640-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 640-acre spacing within said vertical extent. Said unit is to be dedicated to its reentry of the Discovery Operating Walt Canyon 5 Fed Well No. 1 at a standard location in said Section 5. Also to be considered will be the cost of reentering and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as the operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in reentering and completing said well. Said well is located approximately 2 miles south of the Tepee.

CASE 10768: (Readvertised)

Application of Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L.P. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Cisco/Canyon formation underlying all of Section 8, Township 22 South, Range 24 East, forming a standard 640-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 640-acre spacing within said vertical extent. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well drilled at an orthodox location in said Section 8. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as the operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling and completing said well. Said well is located approximately 3 miles south of the Tepee.

CASE 10759: (Continued from July 1, 1993, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L.P. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the N/2 of Section 9, Township 24 South, Range 25 East, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical extent. Said unit is to be dedicated to its Mosley Canyon 9 State Com Well No. 1, to be drilled at an orthodox location within said N/2 proration unit. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as the operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling and completing said well. Said well is located approximately 4 miles north of White City.

CASE 10760: (Continued from July 1, 1993, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Breck Operating Corporation for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying the W/2 of Section 20, Township 28 North, Range 10 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool developed within said vertical extent. Said unit is to be dedicated to its Kutz-Government Well No. 9, recompleted at an approved unorthodox location within said W/2 proration unit. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as the operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling and completing said well. Said well is located approximately 5 miles southeast of Bloomfield, New Mexico.

CASE 10752: (Readvertised)

Application of Rand Oil and Gas, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Devonian formation or to a depth of 12,200 feet, whichever is deeper, underlying the E/2 NW/4 of Section 18, Township 17 South, Range 39 East, forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 80-acre spacing within said vertical extent, which presently includes only the South Knowles-Devonian Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location 1980 feet from the North and West lines (Unit F) of said Section 18. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as the operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling and completing said well. Said unit is located approximately 3 miles east of Knowles, New Mexico.

Application of Drum Energy Corporation for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Blinebry formation, or 6200 feet, whichever is deeper, underlying the SW/4 of Section 35, Township 19 South, Range 38 East, forming a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within said vertical extent, if the proposed well is a gas well, or the SE/4 SW/4 of said Section 35 forming a standard 40-acre spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 40-acre spacing within said vertical extent if the proposed well is an oil well. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location 1100 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line in said Section 35. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as the operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling and completing said well. Said well is located approximately 1/2 mile south of Nadine, New Mexico.

CASE 10755: (Continued from July 1, 1993, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Hal J. Rasmussen Operating, Inc. for unorthodox locations and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks authorization to drill its Eaves A Well No. 18 - 160 feet from the North line and 2173 feet from the East line of Section 30; Eaves A Well No. 19 - 1414 feet from the South line and 3190 feet from the East line of Section 19; Eaves A Well No. 20 - 2570 feet from the South line and 3538 feet from the East line of Section 19; and, Eaves B Well No. 20 - 1414 feet from the South line and 429 feet from the East line of Section 30, all in Township 26 South, Range 37 East, Scarborough Yates-Seven Rivers Pool. Applicant further proposes to simultaneously dedicate the production from said wells with the production from wells on existing proration units. Said wells are located approximately 3 miles south of Bennett, New Mexico.

CASE 10756: (Continued from July 1, 1993, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Hal J. Rasmussen Operating, Inc. for unorthodox locations and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks authorization to drill its Sholes A Well No. 9 at an unorthodox location 1300 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line and its Sholes A Well No. 10 at an unorthodox location 1300 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 24, Township 25 South, Range 36 East, Jalmat Gas Pool. Applicant further proposes to simultaneously dedicate the production from said wells with the production from wells on existing proration units. Said wells are located approximately 1 mile west of Jal, New Mexico.