

CASE 10831: (DE NOVO)

Application of Robert L. Bayless for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval to downhole commingle oil production from the Cabresto-Gallup and East Blanco-Pictured Cliffs fields within the wellbore of the Simms Com Well No. 1, located in Unit J of Section 13, Township 30 North, Range 4 West. Said well is located approximately 7.5 miles east of Ojo Encino Trailer School. Upon application of Robert L. Bayless, this case will be heard De Novo pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1220.

CASE 10772: (DE NOVO)

Application of Barber Oil Inc. for salt water disposal, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks authority to utilize its Stovall-Wood Well No. 5 located 880 feet from the North line and 1580 feet from the West line (Unit C) of Section 20, Township 20 South, Range 30 East, to dispose of produced salt water into the Rustler Lime formation through the perforated interval from approximately 195 feet to 255 feet. Said well is located 2 miles northeast of the National Potash Company Mine. Upon application of Barber Oil Inc., this case will be heard De Novo pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1220.

CASE 10823: (DE NOVO)

Application of Nearburg Producing Company 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 the W/2 of Section 10, Township 22 South, Range 24 East, forming a standard 320-acre oil and gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical extent, including the Undesignated Indian Basin-Upper Pennsylvanian Associated Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an orthodox 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 said well. Said unit is located approximately 12 miles west of Carlsbad, New Mexico. Upon application of Nearburg Producing Company, this case will be heard De Novo pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1220.

CASE 10788: (DE NOVO)

Application of Nearburg Producing Company 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 the E/2 of Section 2, Township 22 South, Range 24 East, forming a standard 320-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical extent, including the undesignated South Indian Basin-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool created in Division Case No. 10748. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an orthodox location within said E/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 said well. Said well is located near Little Walt Spring.

CASE 10790: (DE NOVO)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface through the Morrow formation, underlying the S/2 of Section 2, Township 22 South, Range 24 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 Androcles "AND" State Com Well No. 1 located 1980 feet from the South and East lines of said Section 2. 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 just east of Little Walt Spring. Upon application of Yates Petroleum Corporation, this case will be heard De Novo pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1220.

DOCKET: COMMISSION HEARING - THURSDAY - JANUARY 13, 1994
9:00 A.M. - MORGAN HALL, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
The Land Commissioner's designee for this hearing will be Jami Bailey and Gary Carlson

CASE 10719: (De Novo - Continued from November 10, 1993, Commission Hearing).

Application of Anadarko Petroleum Corporation for directional drilling and an unorthodox bottomhole gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks authority to directionally drill its proposed Power Federal Com Well No. 2 from a surface location 1400 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit D) of Section 26, Township 17 South, Range 30 East, in such a manner as to bottom the well in the Cedar Lake-Morrow Gas Pool at an unorthodox subsurface gas well location within 75 feet of a point 660 feet from the South and East lines (Unit P) of said Section 26. The E/2 of said Section 26 is to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is located approximately 3 miles east-southeast of Loco Hills, New Mexico. Upon application of Anadarko Petroleum Company, this case will be heard De Novo pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1220.

CASE 10771: (De Novo - Continued from November 10, 1993, Commission Hearing.)

Application of OXY USA Inc. to authorize the expansion of a portion of its Skelly Penrose "B" Unit Waterflood Project and qualify said expansion for the recovered oil tax rate pursuant to the "New Mexico Enhanced Oil Recovery Act," Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pursuant to the rules and procedures for Qualification of Enhanced Oil Recovery Projects and Certification for the Recovery Oil Tax Rate, as promulgated by Division Order No. R-9708, qualifying a portion of its Skelly Penrose "B" Unit Waterflood Project in Sections 4, 5, and 8 of Township 23 South, Range 37 East, Queen (Penrose) formation of the Langlie Mattix Seven Rivers-Queen-Grayburg Pool, for the recovered oil tax rate under the "Enhanced Oil Recovery Act" (Law 1992, Chapter 38, Sections 1 through 5). Applicant further seeks authority to expand a portion of said project by means of a significant change in process including conversion to 40-acre five spot injection patterns. Said project area is located approximately 6 miles south of Eunice, New Mexico. Upon application of OXY USA Inc., this case will be heard De Novo pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1220.

CASE 10345: (De Novo - Continued from November 10, 1993, Commission Hearing.)

Application of Louise Y. Locke to consider objections to well costs, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant requests the Commission review actual well costs charged against her interest by BHP Petroleum (Americas), Inc., for the drilling of the Gallegos Canyon Unit Well #390 to determine the reasonableness of such costs pursuant to the provisions of Commission Order No. R-9581-A. Said well is located at the southeast edge of Farmington, New Mexico.

CASE 10346: (De Novo - Continued from November 10, 1993, Commission Hearing.)

Application of Louise Y. Locke to consider objections to well costs, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant requests the Commission review actual well costs charged against her interest by BHP Petroleum (Americas), Inc., for the drilling of the Gallegos Canyon Unit Well #391 to determine the reasonableness of such costs pursuant to the provisions of Commission Order No. R-9581-A. Said well is located at the southeast edge of Farmington, New Mexico.

CASE 10653: (Continued from November 10, 1993, Commission Hearing.)

Application of Armstrong Energy Corporation for special pool rules, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order promulgating special rules and regulations for the Northeast Lea-Delaware Pool including a provision for a special oil allowable of 300 barrels of oil per day. Said pool is located in portions of Townships 19 and 20 South, Range 34 East, located near the Warren Gas Company Compressor Station.

CASE 10773: (Continued from November 10, 1993, Commission Hearing.)

Application of Armstrong Energy Corporation for pool extension and abolishment, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, and in association with De Novo Case No. 10653, seeks to abolish the Quail Ridge-Delaware Pool comprising the SW/4 of Section 3, SE/4 of Section 4, NE/4 of Section 9, N/2 and SW/4 of Section 10, all in Township 20 South, Range 34 East and the concomitant extension of the horizontal limits of the Northeast Lea-Delaware Pool to include all of above-described acreage plus the SE/4 of said Section 3. This area is centered approximately 1.5 miles south of U.S. Highway 62/180 at Milemarker No. 79.

CASE 10767: (Continued from July 29, 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 10790: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface through the Morrow formation, underlying the S/2 of Section 2, Township 22 South, Range 24 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 Androcles "AND" State Com Well No. I located 1980 feet from the South and East lines of said Section 2. 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 just east of Little Walt Spring.

CASE 10763: (Continued from July 29, 1993, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of the Sanmal Queen Unit Agreement for an area comprising 440 acres, more or less, of State land in Sections 1 and 12, Township 17 South, Range 33 East, which is centered approximately 3 miles north of Buckeye, New Mexico.

CASE 10764: (Continued from July 29, 1993, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of the Saffron Unit Agreement for an area comprising 1,396.01 acres, more or less, of Federal and State lands in Sections 1, 2 and 3 of Township 23 South, Range 32 East, which is located approximately 24 miles west of Eunice, New Mexico.

CASE 10791: (This case will be continued to August 26, 1993, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval to drill its Beauregard ANP State Com Well No. I to the Morrow formation, Illinois Camp-Morrow Gas Pool, at an unorthodox gas well location 660 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit B) of Section 14, Township 18 South, Range 27 East. The E/2 of said Section 14 is to be dedicated to the well. Applicant further requests approval of the unorthodox location as to all prospective pools or formations including but not limited to the Morrow spaced on 320 acres. Said well is located approximately 4 miles northeast of Illinois Camp.

CASE 10792: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval to drill its Yerba AMY Fed Com Well No. I at an unorthodox gas well location 1650 feet from the North line and 1580 feet from the West line (Unit F) of Section 14, Township 21 South, Range 24 East. Applicant further requests approval of the unorthodox location as to all prospective pools or formations including but not limited to the Wolfcamp, Cisco, Canyon, Strawn, Atoka and Morrow formations. Said well is located approximately 12 miles west by Northwest of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - THURSDAY - AUGUST 12, 1993
8:15 A.M. - MORGAN HALL, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Dockets Nos. 25-93 and 26-93 are tentatively set for August 26, 1993 and September 9, 1993. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 23 days in advance of hearing date.

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

CASE 10785: Application of Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation for a unit agreement, Sandoval County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of the Hagan Unit Agreement for an area comprising 16,621.58 acres of Federal, State and Fee lands in portions of Townships 13 and 14 North, Range 6 East, which is centered approximately 10 miles east of Algodones, New Mexico.

CASE 10786: Application of Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation for a unit agreement, Sandoval County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of the Blackshare Unit Agreement for an area comprising 5,917.78 acres, more or less, of Federal, State and Fee lands in portions of Townships 13 and 14 North, Range 6 East, which is centered approximately 7 miles west by south of Madrid, New Mexico.

CASE 10787: Application of Merrion Oil & Gas Company for an unorthodox oil well location, McKinley County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location in the Ojo Encino Entrada Oil Pool for its proposed High Hopes Well No. I to be drilled 1220 feet from the North line and 1300 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 28, Township 20 North, Range 5 West. Said unit is located approximately 1 mile southwest of Ojo Encino Trailer School.

CASE 10788: Application of Nearburg Producing Company 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 the E/2 of Section 2, Township 22 South, Range 24 East, forming a standard 320-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical extent, including the undesignated South Indian Basin-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool created in Division Case No. 10748. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an orthodox location within said E/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 said well. Said well is located near Little Walt Spring.

CASE 10789: Application of Bright & Company for approval of a second well in a high angle/horizontal directional drilling pilot project, an unorthodox surface oil well location, and special operating rules therefor, Sandoval County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks to drill a second high angle/horizontal well in the Rio Puerco-Mancos Oil Pool within its high angle/horizontal directional drilling pilot project previously approved by Division Order No. R-9676 by commencing its Cuba Mesa Unit 35 Well No. 2 at an unorthodox surface location 1010 feet from the South line and 820 feet from the West line (Unit M) of Section 35, Township 21 North, Range 2 West, drill vertically to a depth of approximately 3539 feet, kick-off in a north-northwesterly direction, build angle up to approximately 87.25 degrees, drill horizontally for approximately 3613 feet, and bottom said wellbore at a location approximately 660 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of said Section 35. Said well is to be dedicated to the W/2 of said Section 35 forming a standard 320-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool. Applicant requests a special oil allowable of 19,200 barrels for the 60-day period commencing the day the well is spudded, and an additional allowable of 320 barrels of oil per day for the well after completion. Applicant proposes to keep the horizontal displacement of said well's producing interval within the allowed 660 foot setback from the outer boundary of the assigned spacing unit. Said unit is located approximately 3.5 miles west by south of Cuba, New Mexico.

CASE 10687: (Continued from July 15, 1993, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Mewbourne Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from 500 feet below the top of the San Andres formation to the base of the Morrow formation underlying the following described areas in Section 17, Township 18 South, Range 28 East, and in the following manner: the E/2 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; and the SE/4 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. Said unit is to be dedicated to its Illinois Camp "17" State Well No. 2, to be drilled at a standard location within said E/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 operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 2 miles north of Illinois Camp.