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April 6, 1994

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RE: CASE NO. 10931 and 10932 ORDER NO. R-10094

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Division order recently entered in the subject case.

Sincerely,

Sally Martinez

Administrative Secretary

cc: BLM Carlsbad Rick Brown Donna McDonald David Abbey

#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS, AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NOS. 10931 and 10932 Order No. R-10094

#### APPLICATION OF THE WISER OIL COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF A WATERFLOOD PROJECT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

APPLICATION OF THE WISER OIL COMPANY TO AUTHORIZE THE EXPANSION OF THE MALJAMAR CAPROCK 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.

#### **ORDER OF THE DIVISION**

#### **BY THE DIVISION:**

This cause came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on March 3, 1994, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner David R. Catanach.

NOW, on this 5th day of April, 1994, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FINDS THAT:

(1) Due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) Division Case Nos. 10930, 10931 and 10932 were consolidated at the time of the hearing for the purpose of testimony.

(3) The applicant in Case No. 10931, The Wiser Oil Company, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project within its proposed Caprock Maljamar Unit Area (being the subject of Case No. 10930) which encompasses the following described acreage, by the injection of water into the Maljamar Grayburg-San Andres Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, through twenty-one initial injection wells located within the unit area as shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto. The applicant further seeks to qualify the Caprock Maljamar Unit Waterflood Project as an "Enhanced Oil Recovery Project" pursuant to the "Enhanced Oil Recovery Act" (Laws 1992, Chapter 38, Sections 1 through 5).

TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM Section 13: SE/4

Section 24: All

TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPMSection 17: AllSection 18: E/2, SW/4Sections 19 and 20: AllSection 21: W/2 W/2, SE/4 NW/4, SE/4 SW/4Section 27: NW/4 SW/4Section 28: W/2, SE/4, SW/4 NE/4Section 29: NE/4 NE/4Section 33: N/2 NE/4, SE/4 NE/4

(4) The applicant in Case No. 10932, The Wiser Oil Company, seeks an order pursuant to the rules and procedures for Qualification of Enhanced Oil Recovery Projects and Certification for the Recovered Oil Tax Rate, as promulgated by Division Order No. R-9708, qualifying a portion of its Caprock Maljamar Unit, as described in Finding No. (3) above, Maljamar Grayburg-San Andres Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, for the recovered oil tax rate pursuant to the "Enhanced Oil Recovery Act" (Laws 1992, Chapter 38, Sections 1 through 5).

(5) Through the presentation of evidence and testimony in these cases, it appears that the applicant's request to certify the Caprock Maljamar Unit Area as an "Enhanced Oil Recovery Project" pursuant to the "Enhanced Oil Recovery Act" is duplicated in Case No. 10932 and therefore unnecessary.

(6) Division Case No. 10932 should be dismissed.

(7) The wells located within the applicant's Caprock Maljamar Unit Area are in an advanced state of depletion and should properly be classified as "stripper wells".

(8) The proposed waterflood project should result in the recovery of otherwise unrecoverable oil, thereby preventing waste.

(9) Applicant estimates that secondary recovery operations within the Caprock Maljamar Unit Area will result in the recovery of an additional 6.8 million barrels of oil.

(10) Division records and testimony presented at the hearing indicates that within the Caprock Maljamar Unit Area there are five Division Orders currently in effect authorizing the injection of water for secondary recovery purposes into the Maljamar Grayburg-San Andres Pool. These division orders are as follows:

> a) Division Order No. R-2156 dated January 3, 1962 authorized Murphy H. Baxter to institute a waterflood project within the following described area, said project designated the Murphy H. Baxter Maljamar Waterflood Project:

> > TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM Section 13: SE/4

> > TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM Section 16: S/2, NE/4 Section 17: N/2

b) Division Order No. R-2157 dated January 3, 1962 authorized Zapata Petroleum Corporation to institute a waterflood project within the following described area, said project designated the Zapata Maljamar Western State Waterflood Project:

TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPMSection 17:S/2Section 19:NE/4Section 20:N/2

c) Division Order No. R-2769 dated September 16, 1964 authorized Sunset International Petroleum Corporation to institute a waterflood project within the Mal-Gra Unit Area, described as follows, said project designated the Mal-Gra Unit Waterflood Project:

> TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM Section 20: S/2 Section 21: W/2 W/2, SE/4 NW/4, SE/4 SW/4

d) Division Order No. R-3011 dated December 3, 1965 authorized Sinclair Oil and Gas Company to institute a waterflood project within the following described area, said project designated the Sinclair Maljamar Johns Waterflood Project:

### TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM Section 24: All

e) Division Order No. R-3129 dated October 4, 1966 authorized Pennzoil Company to institute a waterflood project within the following described area, said project designated the Pennzoil Maljamar Waterflood Project:

TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM Section 28: S/2, NW/4 Section 33: N/2 NE/4, SE/4 NE/4

(11) Division Order Nos. R-2156, R-2157, R-2769, R-3011 and R-3129, which orders approved, respectively, the Murphy H. Baxter Maljamar, Zapata Maljamar Western State, Mal-Gra Unit, Sinclair Maljamar Johns, and the Pennzoil Maljamar Waterflood Projects, should be superseded by this order.

(12) Division records further indicate that eleven of the proposed twenty-one injection wells, described as follows, have previously been permitted for injection into the Maljamar Grayburg-San Andres Pool:

WELL NAME & NUMBER	WELL LOCATION	ORDER NUMBER
Western State No. 15 Western State No. 13 Western State No. 8 Western State No. 10 Phillips "B" State No. 5 Western State No. 6 Western State No. 5 Phillips "B" State No. 3 Western State No. 3 Western State No. 4	Unit L, 17-17S-33E Unit J, 17-17S-33E Unit N, 17-17S-33E Unit P, 17-17S-33E Unit B, 19-17S-33E Unit D, 20-17S-33E Unit B, 20-17S-33E Unit H, 19-17S-33E Unit F, 20-17S-33E Unit H, 20-17S-33E	R-2157 WFX-171 R-2157 WFX-200 R-2157-A R-2157 WFX-139 R-2157-A WFX-139 WFX-200
Mal-Gra Unit No. 7	Unit L, 20-17S-33E	R-2769

(13) The evidence presented indicates that the Western State Well No. 4, as described above, is currently plugged and abandoned.

(14) In order to bring these injection wells into compliance with current Division Rules and Regulations, the Division should examine Form C-108 data (Authorization to Inject) submitted for each of these wells by the applicant and should re-permit these wells under modern regulations.

(15) The applicant should take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface from injection, production, or plugged and abandoned wells.

(16) The injection of water into each of the wells shown on Exhibit "A" should be accomplished through internally plastic-lined tubing installed in a packer set within 100 feet of the uppermost injection perforation or casing shoe; the casing-tubing annulus should be filled with an inert fluid and a gauge or approved leak-detection device should be attached to the annulus in order to determine leakage in the casing, tubing or packer.

(17) Prior to commencing injection operations into the wells shown on Exhibit "A", the casing in each well should be pressure tested throughout the interval from the surface down to the proposed packer setting depth to assure the integrity of such casing.

(18) The injection wells or pressurization system should be initially equipped with a pressure control device or acceptable substitute which will limit the surface injection pressure to no more than 814 psi.

(19) The Division Director should have the authority to administratively authorize a pressure limitation in excess of the pressure limitation described in Finding No. (18) above upon a showing by the operator that such higher pressure will not result in the fracturing of the injection formation or confining strata.

(20) There is one well located within the "area of review", the Mal-Gra Unit "B" Well No. 2 located in Unit O of Section 20, which reportedly has casing leaks. The applicant should be required to consult with the supervisor of the Hobbs district office of the Division in order to determine if this well, in its present condition, provides a conduit for migration of injected fluid. If so, the applicant should conduct repairs on the well in a manner acceptable to the Division prior to conducting injection operations within one half mile.

(21) The operator should give advance notification to the supervisor of the Hobbs District Office of the Division of the date and time of the installation of injection equipment, the conductance of any remedial cement operations, and of the mechanical integrity pressure tests in order that the same may be witnessed.

(22) The application should be approved and the project should be governed by the provisions of Rule Nos. 701 through 708 of the Oil Conservation Division Rules and Regulations.

(23) At the time of the hearing, the applicant requested that the subject waterflood be certified by the Division as a qualified "Enhanced Oil Recovery Project" pursuant to the "Enhanced Oil Recovery Act" (Laws 1992, Chapter 38, Sections 1 through 5).

(24) Implementation of secondary recovery operations within the Caprock Maljamar Unit will occur in three phases.

(25) Previous waterflood operations within the proposed unit area have been conducted on 80-acre five spot injection patterns.

(26) Within the Caprock Maljamar Unit, the applicant proposes to conduct waterflood operations on 40-acre five spot injection patterns. Such action will require that the applicant drill and equip fifty-nine new producing wells, drill and equip eleven new injection wells, convert forty producing wells to injection, and conduct workovers on thirty-eight wells, as well as upgrade tank battery and injection facilities.

(27) The proposed change in operations within the project area will require a capital expenditure of approximately twenty-three million dollars.

(28) The applicant requests certification of the project area on the contention that it has or will expand the use of enhanced oil recovery technology and will increase the size of the geologic area being flooded representing a unique area of activity.

(29) Geologic variations generally indicate that the 80-acre five spot injection pattern previously utilized within the Caprock Maljamar Unit Area may have been too large and likely resulted in substantial volumes of oil being unrecovered.

(30) The reduction in the waterflood injection pattern from 80 acres to 40 acres will improve the sweep efficiency and should increase the ultimate oil recovery from the proposed project area.

(31) The evidence presented indicates that the subject waterflood meets all the criteria for certification.

(32) The certified "project area" should initially comprise the area within the Caprock Maljamar Unit, described in Finding No. (3) above, provided however, the "project area" and/or the producing wells eligible for the recovered oil tax rate may be contracted and reduced dependent upon the evidence presented by the applicant in its demonstration of the occurrence of a positive production response.

(33) To be eligible for the EOR credit, the operator should advise the Division when water injection commences within Phase I, II and III and at such time, request the Division certify such phases or areas to the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department.

(34) At such time as a positive production response occurs and within five years from the date of the Certificate of Qualification, the applicant must apply to the Division for certification of positive production response, which application shall identify the area actually benefitting from enhanced recovery operations, and identifying the specific wells which the operator believes are eligible for the credit. The Division may review the application administratively or set it for hearing. Based upon evidence presented, the Division will certify to The Department of Taxation and Revenue those lands and wells which are eligible for the credit.

#### **<u>IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT</u>:**

(1) The applicant, The Wiser Oil Company, is hereby authorized to institute a waterflood project within its Caprock Maljamar Unit Area which encompasses the following described acreage, by the injection of water into the Maljamar Grayburg-San Andres Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, through twenty-one initial injection wells located within the unit area as shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto.

TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM Section 13: SE/4 Section 24: All TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM Section 17: All Section 18: E/2, SW/4 Sections 19 and 20: All Section 21: W/2 W/2, SE/4 NW/4, SE/4 SW/4 Section 27: NW/4 SW/4 Section 28: W/2, SE/4, SW/4 NE/4 Section 29: NE/4 NE/4 Section 33: N/2 NE/4, SE/4 NE/4 (2) The applicant shall take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface from injection, production, or plugged and abandoned wells.

(3) Injection into the wells shown on Exhibit "A" shall be accomplished through plastic-lined tubing installed in a packer set approximately within 100 feet of the uppermost injection perforation or casing shoe; the casing-tubing annulus shall be filled with an inert fluid and a gauge or approved leak-detection device shall be attached to the annulus in order to determine leakage in the casing, tubing or packer.

(4) The injection wells or pressurization system shall be equipped with a pressure control device or acceptable substitute which will limit the surface injection pressure to no more than 814 psi.

(5) The Division Director shall have the authority to administratively authorize a pressure limitation in excess of the above upon a showing by the operator that such higher pressure will not result in the fracturing of the injection formation or confining strata.

(6) Prior to commencing injection operations into the wells shown on Exhibit "A", the casing in each well shall be pressure-tested throughout the interval from the surface down to the proposed packer setting depth, to assure the integrity of such casing.

(7) Prior to initiating injection operations within one-half mile of the Mal-Gra Unit "B" Well No. 2, located in Unit O of Section 20, the applicant shall consult with the supervisor of the Hobbs district office of the Division in order to determine if this well, in its present condition, provides a conduit for migration of injected fluid. If so, the applicant shall conduct repairs on the well in a manner acceptable to the Division.

(8) The operator shall give advance notification to the supervisor of the Hobbs District Office of the Division of the date and time of the installation of injection equipment, the conductance of remedial cement operations, and of the mechanical integrity pressure tests, in order that the same may be witnessed.

(9) The applicant shall immediately notify the supervisor of the Hobbs District Office of the Division of the failure of the tubing, casing or packer in any of the injection wells, the leakage of water or oil from or around any producing well, or the leakage of water or oil from any plugged and abandoned well within the project area, and shall take such steps as may be timely and necessary to correct such failure or leakage. (10) The subject waterflood is hereby designated the Caprock Maljamar Unit Waterflood Project and shall be governed by the provisions of Rule Nos. 701 through 708 of the Oil Conservation Division Rules and Regulations.

(11) Monthly progress reports of the waterflood project herein authorized shall be submitted to the Division in accordance with Rule Nos. 706 and 1115 of the Division Rules and Regulations.

(12) Division Order Nos. R-2156, R-2157, R-2769, R-3011 and R-3129, which orders approved, respectively, the Murphy H. Baxter Maljamar, Zapata Maljamar Western State, Mal-Gra Unit, Sinclair Maljamar Johns, and the Pennzoil Maljamar Waterflood Projects, are hereby superseded by this order.

(13) The subject waterflood is hereby certified as a qualified "Enhanced Oil Recovery Project" pursuant to the "Enhanced Oil Recovery Act" (Laws 1992, Chapter 38, Sections 1 through 5).

(14) The certified "project area" shall initially coincide with the Caprock Maljamar Unit Area, described in Finding No. (3) above, provided however, the "project area" and/or the producing wells eligible for the recovered oil tax rate may be contracted and reduced dependent upon the evidence presented by the applicant in its demonstration of the occurrence of a positive production response.

(15) To be eligible for the EOR credit, the operator shall advise the Division when water injection commences within Phase I, II and III and at such time, request the Division certify such phases or areas to the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department.

(16) At such time as a positive production response occurs and within five years from the date of the Certificate of Qualification, the applicant must apply to the Division for certification of positive production response, which application shall identify the area actually benefitting from enhanced recovery operations, and identifying the specific wells which the operator believes are eligible for the credit. The Division may review the application administratively or set it for hearing. Based upon evidence presented, the Division will certify to The Department of Taxation and Revenue those lands and wells which are eligible for the credit.

(17) The application of The Wiser Oil Company in Case No. 10932 for an order pursuant to the rules and procedures for Qualification of Enhanced Oil Recovery Projects and Certification for the Recovered Oil Tax Rate, qualifying a portion of its Caprock Maljamar Unit, Lea County, New Mexico, for the recovered oil tax rate pursuant to the "Enhanced Oil Recovery Act" (Laws 1992, Chapter 38, Sections 1 through 5), is hereby dismissed.

(18) Jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 00 WILLIAM J. LEMAY Director

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. WFX-742

#### APPLICATION OF THE WISER OIL COMPANY TO EXPAND ITS WATERFLOOD PROJECT IN THE MALJAMAR GRAYBURG-SAN ANDRES POOL IN EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Under the provisions of Division Order No. R-10094, The Wiser Oil Company has made application to the Division on October 1, 1998 for permission to expand its Caprock Maljamar Unit Waterflood Project in the Maljamar Grayburg-San Andres Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico.

#### THE DIVISION DIRECTOR FINDS THAT:

(1) The application has been filed in due form.

(2) Satisfactory information has been provided that all offset operators have been duly notified of the application.

(3) No objection has been received within the waiting period as prescribed by Rule 701(B).

(4) The proposed injection wells are eligible for conversion to injection under the terms of Rule 701.

(5) The proposed expansion of the above referenced waterflood project will not cause waste nor impair correlative rights.

(6) The application should be approved.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The applicant, The Wiser Oil Company, be and the same is hereby authorized to inject water into the Gravburg and San Andres formations at approximately 4128 feet to approximately 4652 feet through 2 7/8-inch plastic or fiberglass lined tubing set in a packer located within 100 feet of the uppermost injection perforations in the following described wells for purposes of secondary recovery to wit:

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#### Caprock Maljamar Unit Well No.98

660' FSL & 660' FWL – Unit 'M' Injection Interval: 4128 feet to 4362 feet Packer Setting: 4109 feet Maximum Injection Pressure: 826 psig

#### Caprock Maljamar Unit Well No.283

1033' FSL & 1975' FEL – Unit 'O' injection interval: 4415 feet to 4052 feet Packer Setting: 4371 feet Maximum Injection Pressure: 883 psig

Both in Section 28, Township 17 South, Range 33 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

#### **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT:**

The operator shall take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface.

Prior to commencing injection operations into the well, the casing shall be pressure tested from the surface to the packer setting depth to assure the integrity of said casing.

The casing-tubing annulus shall be loaded with an inert fluid and equipped with a pressure gauge at the surface or left open to the atmosphere to facilitate detection of leakage in the casing, tubing or packer.

The injection well or system shall be equipped with a pressure limiting device which will limit the wellhead pressure on the injection wells to no greater than .2 psi per foot of depth to the uppermost injection perforations or casing shoe.

The Director of the Division may authorize an increase in injection pressure upon a proper showing by the operator of said well that such higher pressure will not result in migration of the injected fluid from the Grayburg or San Andres formations. Such proper showing shall consist of a valid step-rate test run in accordance with and acceptable to this office.

The operator shall notify the supervisor of the Artesia district office of the Division of the date and time of the installation of injection equipment and of the mechanical integrity tests so that the same may be inspected and witnessed.

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The operator shall immediately notify the supervisor of the Artesia district office of the Division of the failure of the tubing, casing or packer in said wells and shall take such steps as may be timely and necessary to correct such failure or leakage.

The subject wells shall be governed by all provisions of Division Order No. R-10094 and Rules 702-706 of the Division Rules and Regulations not inconsistent herewith.

<u>PROVIDED FURTHER THAT</u>, jurisdiction is retained by the Division for the entry of such further orders as may be necessary for the prevention of waste and/or protection of correlative rights or upon failure of the operator to conduct operations (1) to protect fresh water or (2) consistent with the requirements in this order, whereupon the Division may, after notice and hearing, terminate the injection authority granted herein.

The injection authority granted herein shall terminate one year after the effective date of this order if the operator has not commenced injection operations into the subject wells, provided however, the Division, upon written request by the operator, may grant an extension thereof for good cause shown.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on this 26th day of October, 1998.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 1

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Artesia Case File No.10931 /



#### ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. WFX-698

#### APPLICATION OF THE WISER OIL COMPANY TO EXPAND ITS WATERFLOOD PROJECT IN THE MALJAMAR GRAYBURG-SAN ANDRES POOL IN LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Under the provisions of Division Order No. R-10094, The Wiser Oil Company has made application to the Division on November 1, 1996 for permission to expand its Caprock Maljamar Unit Waterflood Project in the Maljamar Grayburg-San Andres Pool in Lea County, New Mexico.

#### THE DIVISION DIRECTOR FINDS THAT:

(1) The application has been filed in due form.

(2) Satisfactory information has been provided that all offset operators have been duly notified of the application.

(3) No objection has been received within the waiting period as prescribed by Rule 701(B).

(4) The proposed injection wells are eligible for conversion to injection under the terms of Rule 701.

(5) The proposed expansion of the above referenced waterflood project will not cause waste nor impair correlative rights.

(6) The proposed expansion is part of an approved Enhanced Oil Recovery waterflood project pursuant to the "New Mexico Oil Recovery Act".

(7) The application should be approved.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The applicant, The Wiser Oil Company, be and the same is hereby authorized to inject water into the Grayburg and San Andres formations at approximately 4194 feet to approximately 4393 feet through 2 3/8-inch plastic lined tubing set in a packer located within 100 feet of the uppermost injection perforations in the wells described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto, for purposes of secondary recovery.

#### IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT:

The operator shall take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface.

Prior to commencing injection operations into the wells, the casing shall be pressure tested from the surface to the packer setting depth to assure the integrity of said casing.

The casing-tubing annulus shall be loaded with an inert fluid and equipped with a pressure gauge at the surface or left open to the atmosphere to facilitate detection of leakage in the casing, tubing or packer.

The injection well or system shall be equipped with a pressure limiting device which will limit the wellhead pressure on the injection wells to no more than .2 psi per foot of depth to the uppermost injection perforation.

The Director of the Division may authorize an increase in injection pressure upon a proper showing by the operator of said wells that such higher pressure will not result in migration of the injected fluid from the Grayburg or San Andres formations. Such proper showing shall consist of a valid step-rate test run in accordance with and acceptable to this office.

The operator shall notify the supervisor of the Hobbs district office of the Division of the date and time of the installation of injection equipment and of the mechanical integrity tests so that the same may be inspected and witnessed.

The operator shall immediately notify the supervisor of the Hobbs district office of the Division of the failure of the tubing, casing or packer in said wells and shall take such steps as may be timely and necessary to correct such failure or leakage.

The subject wells shall be governed by all provisions of Division Order No. R-10094, and Rules 702-706 of the Division Rules and Regulations not inconsistent herewith.

<u>PROVIDED FURTHER THAT</u>, jurisdiction of this cause is hereby retained by the Division for the entry of such further order or orders as may be deemed necessary or convenient for the prevention of waste and/or protection of correlative rights; upon failure of the operator to conduct operations in a manner which will ensure the protection of fresh water or in a manner inconsistent with the requirements set forth in this order, the Division may, after notice and hearing, terminate the injection authority granted herein.

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The injection authority granted herein shall terminate one year after the effective date of this order if the operator has not commenced injection operations into the subject wells, provided however, the Division, upon written request by the operator, may grant an extension thereof for good cause shown.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on this 6th day of December, 1996.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

WILLIAM 🔏 LEMAY Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs
Mr. John Chavez, Secretary, Taxation & Revenue
Ms. Bonnie Jones, J.O. Easley, Inc.
Files: Case No.10931&32; EOR-18

## EXHIBIT "A" DIVISION ORDER NO. WFX-698 Caprock Maljamar UNIT APPROVED INJECTION WELLS

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Well Name	Well No.	Location	Unit	S-TER	Injection Perforations	Packer Depth	Tubing Size	Pressure
Caprock Maljamar Unit	83	660' FSL & 1980' FEL	0	20-T17S-R33E	4194' - 4393'	4094'	2 3/8"	839 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	96	1650' FSL & 990' FEL	Ι	28-T17S-R33E	4222' - 4392'	4122'	2 3/8"	844 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	262*	1880' FSL & 694' FWL	L	18-T17S-R33E	To Be Determined	TBD	2 3/8"	.2 psi/ft
Caprock Maljamar Unit	263*	430' FSL & 930' FWL	Μ	20-T17S-R33E	To Be Determined	TBD	2 3/8"	.2 psi/ft
Caprock Maljamar Unit	264*	660' FNL & 762' FWL	D	24-T17S-R33E	To Be Determined	TBD	2 3/8"	.2 psi/ft
Caprock Maljamar Unit	265*	660' FNL & 2080' FWL	С	24-T17S-R33E	To Be Determined	TBD	2 3/8"	.2 psi/ft
Caprock Maljamar Unit	266*	1928' FNL & 769' FWL	E	24-T17S-R33E	To Be Determined	TBD	2 3/8"	.2 psi/ft
Caprock Maljamar Unit	267*	1956' FNL & 2003' FWL	H	24-T17S-R33E	To Be Determined	TBD	2 3/8"	.2 psi/ft
Caprock Maljamar Unit	268*	1993' FSL & 1875' FWL	К	24-T17S-R33E	To Be Determined	TBD	2 3/8"	.2 psi/ft
Caprock Maljamar Unit	269*	730' FSL & 2045' FEL	0	24-T17S-R33E	To Be Determined	TBD	2 3/8"	.2 psi/ft

All wells located in Lea County, New Mexico

\* New Drills

Note: Some wells to be re-completed may have perforated intervals other than shown as long as packer setting and maximum pressure are determined as outlined in body of order.



ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. WFX-694

#### APPLICATION OF THE WISER OIL COMPANY TO EXPAND ITS WATERFLOOD PROJECT IN THE MALJAMAR GRAYBURG-SAN ANDRES POOL IN LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Under the provisions of Division Order No. R-10094, The Wiser Oil Company has made application to the Division on September 18, 1996 for permission to expand its Caprock Maljamar Unit Waterflood Project in the Maljamar Grayburg-San Andres Pool in Lea County, New Mexico.

#### THE DIVISION DIRECTOR FINDS THAT:

(1) The application has been filed in due form.

(2) Satisfactory information has been provided that all offset operators have been duly notified of the application.

(3) No objection has been received within the waiting period as prescribed by Rule 701(B).

(4) The proposed injection wells are eligible for conversion to injection under the terms of Rule 701.

(5) The proposed expansion of the above referenced waterflood project will not cause waste nor impair correlative rights.

(6) The proposed expansion is part of an approved Enhanced Oil Recovery waterflood project pursuant to the "New Mexico Oil Recovery Act".

(7) The application should be approved.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The applicant, The Wiser Oil Company, be and the same is hereby authorized to inject water into the Grayburg and San Andres formations at approximately 3764 feet to approximately 4515 feet through 2 3/8-inch plastic lined tubing set in a packer located within 100 feet of the uppermost injection perforations in the wells described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto, for purposes of secondary recovery.

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#### **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT:**

The operator shall take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface.

Prior to commencing injection operations into the wells, the casing shall be pressure tested from the surface to the packer setting depth to assure the integrity of said casing.

The casing-tubing annulus shall be loaded with an inert fluid and equipped with a pressure gauge at the surface or left open to the atmosphere to facilitate detection of leakage in the casing, tubing or packer.

The injection well or system shall be equipped with a pressure limiting device which will limit the wellhead pressure on the injection wells to no more than .2 psi per foot of depth to the uppermost injection perforation.

The Director of the Division may authorize an increase in injection pressure upon a proper showing by the operator of said wells that such higher pressure will not result in migration of the injected fluid from the Grayburg or San Andres formations. Such proper showing shall consist of a valid step-rate test run in accordance with and acceptable to this office.

The operator shall notify the supervisor of the Hobbs district office of the Division of the date and time of the installation of injection equipment and of the mechanical integrity tests so that the same may be inspected and witnessed.

The operator shall immediately notify the supervisor of the Hobbs district office of the Division of the failure of the tubing, casing or packer in said wells and shall take such steps as may be timely and necessary to correct such failure or leakage.

The subject wells shall be governed by all provisions of Division Order No. R-10094, and Rules 702-706 of the Division Rules and Regulations not inconsistent herewith.

<u>PROVIDED FURTHER THAT</u>, jurisdiction of this cause is hereby retained by the Division for the entry of such further order or orders as may be deemed necessary or convenient for the prevention of waste and/or protection of correlative rights; upon failure of the operator to conduct operations in a manner which will ensure the protection of fresh water or in a manner inconsistent with the requirements set forth in this order, the Division may, after notice and hearing, terminate the injection authority granted herein.

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The injection authority granted herein shall terminate one year after the effective date of this order if the operator has not commenced injection operations into the subject wells, provided however, the Division, upon written request by the operator, may grant an extension thereof for good cause shown.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on this 17th day of October, 1996.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Øa WILLIAM J/LEMAY Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs
Mr. John Chavez, Secretary, Taxation & Revenue
Ms. Bonnie Jones, J.O. Easley, Inc.
Files: Case No.10931&32; EOR-18

\* Open-Hole Completions

All wells located in Lea County, New Mexico

Well Name	Well No.	Location	Unit	S-T-R	Injection Perforations	Puckas Depth	Taking Size	Pressure
Caprock Maljamar Unit	58	1980' FNL & 660' FWL	E	21-T17S-R33E	4238' - 4450'*	4138'	2 3/8"	848 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	60	1980' FSL & 620' FWL	L	24-T17S-R33E	4070' - 4155'	3970'	2 3/8"	814 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	63	1980' FSL & 66' FEL	I	24-T17S-R33E	4200' - 4218'	4100'	2 3/8"	840 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	65	2310' FSL & 2379' FWL	К	19-T17S-R33E	4120' - 4330'	4020'	2 3/8"	824 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	72	1980' FSL & 660' FWL	L	21-T17S-R33E	4236' - 4444'	4216'	2 3/8"	847 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	73	660' FSL & 660' FWL	M	24-T17S-R33E	3770' - 4300'*	3750'	2 3/8"	754 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	76	330' FSL & 990' FEL	Р	24-T17S-R33E	4180' - 4296'	4071'	2 3/8"	836 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	79	990' FSL & 2310' FEL	0	19-T17S-R33E	4078' - 4340'	3978'	2 3/8"	816 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	82	330' FSL & 2310' FWL	z	20-T17S-R33E	4105' - 4202'	4005'	2 3/8"	821 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	84	660' FSL & 660' FEL	Р	20-T17S-R33E	4234' - 4409'*	4220'	2 3/8"	847 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	58	660' FSL & 660' FWL	м	21-T17S-R33E	4254' - 4443'*	4154'	2 3/8"	851 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	- 68	990' FNL & 1650' FWL	C	28-T17S-R33E	4287' - 4472'	4187'	2 3/8"	857 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	92	1980' FNL & 1980' FEL	G	28-T17S-R33E	4260' - 4480'*	4160'	2 3/8"	852 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	93	1980' FSL & 660' FWL	L	28-T17S-R33E	4200' - 4352'	4100'	2 3/8"	840 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	94	1980' FSL & 1980' FWL	к	28-T17S-R33E	4194' - 4384'	4094'	2 3/8"	839 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	100	330' FSL & 2310' FEL	0	28-T17S-R33E	4228' - 4480'*	4128'	2 3/8"	846 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	104	1980' FNL & 660' FEL	Н	33-T17S-R33E	3764' - 4503'	3664'	2 3/8"	753 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	205	1650' FSL & 1059' FWL	Г	19-T17S-R33E	4044' - 4291'	3398'	2 3/8"	809 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	260	1780' FNL & 660' FEL	Н	18-T17S-R33E	4150' - 4512'	4050'	2 3/8"	830 PSIG
Caprock Maljamar Unit	261	760' FSL & 2080' FEL	0	18-T17S-R33E	4202' - 4515'	4102'	2 3/8"	840 PSIG

# EXHIBIT "A" DIVISION ORDER NO. WFX-694 CAPROCK MALJAMAR UNIT APPROVED INJECTION WELLS