

Dockets Nos. 1-89 and 2-89 are tentatively set for January 4 and January 18, 1989. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 21, 1988

8:15 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION CONFERENCE ROOM,
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

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

CASE 9557: Application of Rio Pecos Corporation for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the East Lovington Unit Area comprising 600 acres, more or less, of State and Fee lands in the N/2, SE/4, N/2 SW/4, and SE/4 SW/4 of Section 12, Township 16 South, Range 36 East. Said unit is located approximately 2 miles East of Lovington, New Mexico.

CASE 9413: (Continued from December 7, 1988, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Yates Petroleum Company for special pool rules, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the promulgation of temporary special pool rules for the Avalon-Delaware Pool located in portions of Township 20 South, Ranges 27 and 28 East, including a provision to increase the gas-oil ratio limitation to 5,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil. Said area is located approximately 9 miles north of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

CASE 9558: Application of McKay Oil Corporation for compulsory pooling, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pecos Slope-Abo Gas Pool underlying the SW/4 of Section 34, Township 6 South, Range 26 East, to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an orthodox location thereon. 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 14 miles N 75° W of Elkins, New Mexico.

CASE 9524: (Continued from December 7, 1988, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Amerind Oil Company for directional drilling and unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to re-enter its State MTS Well No. 1 located at a standard surface location 1830 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit I) of Section 2, Township 17 South, Range 37 East, wherein the applicant proposes to directionally drill said well to penetrate the Strawn formation, Undesignated Shipp-Strawn Pool or Undesignated Humble City-Strawn Pool, at an unorthodox bottomhole location 2310 feet from the South line and 330 feet from the East line (Unit I) of said Section 2. The E/2 SE/4 of said Section 2 is to be dedicated to the subject well. IN THE ALTERNATIVE, should re-entry into the aforementioned well be unsuccessful, the applicant seeks to drill the State MTS Well No. 1-A at an unorthodox surface location 2310 feet from the South line and 330 feet from the East line (Unit I) of said Section 2 to test the Strawn formation. This area is located approximately 4 miles North of Humble City, New Mexico.

CASE 9532: (Continued from December 7, 1988, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Amerind Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Strawn formation underlying the E/2 SE/4 of Section 2, Township 17 South, Range 37 East, forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 80-acre spacing (which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Shipp-Strawn Pool and the Undesignated Humble City-Atoka Pool). Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location thereon. 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 area is located approximately 4.25 miles north of Humble City, New Mexico.

CASE 9534: (Continued from December 7, 1988, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Standard Oil Production Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Strawn formation underlying the NW/4 NE/4 (Unit B) of Section 8, Township 17 South, Range 38 East, to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on statewide 40-acre oil spacing and proration units (which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated West Garrett-Devonian and Undesignated Knowles-Abo Pools). Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location thereon. 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 area is located approximately 2.5 miles north-northeast of Knowles, New Mexico.

CASE 9559: Application of Nassau Resources, Inc. for 19 unorthodox coal gas well locations, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks exceptions to Division Order No. R-8768, Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool Rules, to allow 19 unorthodox coal gas well locations all in the Carracas Canyon Unit located in portions of Townships 31 and 32 North, Ranges 4 and 5 West. Said Unit Area is located approximately 8 miles East of the Navajo Reservoir.

CASE 9560: Application of Nassau Resources, Inc. for a non-standard gas proration unit, Rio Arriba, County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a non-standard gas spacing and proration unit for production from the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool comprising all of irregular Section 2, Township 31 North, Range 5 West. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard coal gas well location 2000 feet from the South line and 2200 feet from the West line (Unit K) of said Section 2. Said unit is located approximately 5 miles South of Mile Corner No. 36 located on the New Mexico/Colorado Stateline.

CASE 9535: (Continued from November 22, 1988, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for compulsory pooling, unorthodox gas well location, and non-standard gas proration unit, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying Lots 3 and 4 and the E/2 SW/4 of Section 7 and Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, and the E/2 W/2 of Section 18, Township 30 North, Range 8 West, forming a non-standard 334.94-acre gas spacing and proration unit, to be dedicated to its Howell "C" Com Well No. 301 to be drilled at an unorthodox gas well location in the SE/4 NW/4 (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 operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 1.5 miles northwest by north of Archuleta, New Mexico.

CASE 9536: (Continued from November 22, 1988, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying the W/2 of Section 24, Township 30 North, Range 9 West, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be dedicated to its Riddle "A" Com Well No. 260 to be drilled at a standard gas well location in the NE/4 SW/4 (Unit K) of said Section 24. 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 1 mile west of Archuleta, New Mexico.

CASE 9545: (Continued from November 22, 1988, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for compulsory pooling and a non-standard gas proration unit, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool underlying Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, the SE/4 NW/4, and the E/2 SW/4 of Section 6 and Lots 1 and 2 and the E/2 NW/4 of Section 7, Township 30 North, Range 8 West, forming a non-standard 331.00-acre gas spacing and proration unit, to be dedicated to its Howell G Com Well No. 300 to be drilled at a previously authorized unorthodox gas well location (pursuant to Decretory Paragraph No. (4) of Division Order No. R-8768) 1430 feet from the North line and 1090 feet from the West line (Unit F) of said Section 6. 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 3.25 miles north by west of Archuleta, New Mexico.

CASE 9550: (Continued from December 7, 1988, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for a non-standard gas proration unit and an unorthodox gas well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location 2200 feet from the North line and 1360 feet from the East line (Unit G), Section 36, Township 30 North, Range 6 West, to test the Fruitland (sand) Formation, Lots 1 and 2 and the W/2 NE/4 of said Section 36 to be dedicated to said well forming a non-standard 115.04-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said zone. Said location is approximately 5.5 miles northwest by north of Gobernador, New Mexico.

CASE 9561: Application of Stevens Operating Corporation for an unorthodox oil well location, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox oil well location 1870 feet from the North line and 80 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 1, Township 9 South, Range 28 East, Twin Lakes-Devonian Pool, the S/2 NW/4 of said Section 1 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said location is approximately 9 miles South of Elkins, New Mexico.