

Examiner Hearing - Wednesday - November 1, 1989

CASE 9800: Application of W. E. Jeffers for an unorthodox oil well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox oil well location for a well to be drilled 2310 feet from the South line and 2452 feet from the West line (Unit K) of Section 2, Township 18 South, Range 28 East, Artesia Queen-Grayburg-San Andres Pool, the NE/4 SW/4 of said Section 2 to be dedicated to said well and the existing Featherstone State Well No. 4 located at a standard oil well location 1650 feet from the South and West lines of said Section 2. Said unit is located approximately 2 miles southeast of the junction of U.S. Highway 82 and N.M. State Highway No. 360.

CASE 9792: (Continued from October 18, 1989, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of R. E. Hibbert for directional drilling and an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authorization to sidetrack from its existing Ridge State Well No. 1 located at a previously approved unorthodox gas well location (NSL-2551) 360 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit C) of Section 17, Township 24 South, Range 25 East, and directionally drill to an unorthodox gas well location in the Mosley Canyon-Strawn Gas Pool within 50 feet of a point 360 feet from the North line and 980 feet from the West line (Unit D) of said Section 17, the S/2 of said Section 17 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. This well is located approximately 4.5 miles northwest of Whites City, New Mexico.

CASE 9801: Application of Conoco, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Cisco Canyon formation underlying the SW/4 of Section 36, Township 19 South, Range 24 East, forming a standard 160-acre spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical extent developed on 160-acre spacing (which includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Dagger Draw-Wolfcamp Gas Pool and North Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool). Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location 660 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the West line (Unit M) of said Section 36. 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 an operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said well location is approximately 15 miles west by south of Lakewood, New Mexico.

CASE 9802: Application of Marathon Oil Company for an unorthodox gas well location ~~and simultaneous dedication~~, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location 330 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 9, Township 21 South, Range 23 East, Indian Basin-Upper Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, all of said Section 9, forming a standard 640-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, to be ~~simultaneously dedicated~~ to said well and to the existing North Indian Basin Unit Well No. 5 ~~located at a standard gas well location 1815 feet from the South line and 1752.3 feet from the East line (Unit J) of said Section 9. The subject spacing unit is located approximately 2.5 miles northwest of the applicant's Indian Basin Gas Plant.~~ Upon application to Marathon Oil Company, the case was dismissed in accordance with the provisions of Rule 27(b).

CASE 9803: Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for an unorthodox coal gas well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox coal gas well location for its Rosa Unit Well No. 257 to be drilled 955 feet from the South line and 725 feet from the West line (Unit M) of Section 27, Township 31 North, Range 5 West, the W/2 of said section being dedicated to said well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said location is approximately 9 miles south of Mile Corner No. 237.5 located on the Colorado/New Mexico stateline.

CASE 9804: Application of Meridian Oil Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location 945 feet from the South line and 1210 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 6, Township 30 North, Range 9 West. Said well is to be dedicated to an existing 299.85-acre non-standard gas proration unit for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool comprising Lots 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 and the E/2 W/2 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 6 and Lots 1 and 2 and the E/2 NW/4 (NW/4 equivalent) of Section 7, Township 30 North, Range 9 West (authorized by Division Order No. R-35). Said location is approximately 12 miles west by north of the Navajo Reservoir Dam.

CASE 9805: Application of Gryx Energy Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location 660 feet from the South and West lines (Unit M) of Section 26, Township 22 South, Range 34 East, Undesignated Antelope Ridge-Atoka Gas Pool, the S/2 of said Section 26 to be dedicated to said well to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said location is approximately 4 miles north-northwest of the San Simon Sink.

CASE 9806: Application of Pacific Enterprises Oil Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox gas well location 660 feet from the North line and 1400 feet from the East line (Unit B) of Section 2, Township 10 South, Range 26 East, to test the Undesignated Poor Ranch-PrePermian Gas Pool, Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 and the S/2 W/2 (W/2 equivalent) of said Section 2 to be dedicated to said well forming a 320.52-acre gas spacing and proration unit. Said unit is located approximately 6 miles east by south of the Pecos River Bridge on U.S. Highway 71.

CASE 9807: Application of Anadarko Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling, directional drilling and an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an order pooling all mineral interests in the Strawn formation underlying the SE/4 NW/4 (Unit F) of Section 33, Township 16 South, Range 39 East, forming a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said zone. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be directionally drilled from a surface location 2440 feet from the North line and 2230 feet from the West line of said Section 33, to the Strawn formation at a true vertical depth of approximately 11,700 feet within a 125 foot radius of an unorthodox oil well location 2060 feet from the North line and 2500 feet from the West line of said Section 33. 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 an operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 7 miles northeast by north of Humble City, New Mexico.

CASE 9808: Application of TXO Production Corporation for compulsory pooling, directional drilling, and an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Undesignated East Burton Flat-Strawn Gas Pool underlying the W/2 of Section 14, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be directionally drilled from a surface location 900 feet from the South line and 1815 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 11, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, to a non-standard bottomhole gas well location within 50 feet of a point 925 feet from the North line and 1815 feet from the West line (Unit C) of said Section 14. 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 location is approximately 4 miles north-northwest of the junction of U.S. Highway 62/180 and New Mexico State Highway 31.

CASE 9762: (Continued from October 18, 1989, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of TXO Production Corp. for directional drilling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authorization to directionally drill from a surface location 900 feet from the South line and 1815 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 11, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, to a standard bottomhole oil well location in the Strawn formation within 50 feet of a point 925 feet from the North line and 1815 feet from the West line (Unit C) of Section 14, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, the NE/4 NW/4 of said Section 14 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for the Undesignated South Parkway-Strawn Pool. This well location is approximately 4.25 miles north-northwest of the junction of U.S. Highway 62/180 and New Mexico State Highway 31.