STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

CASE NO. 8206 Order No. R-7560

APPLICATION OF ENSTAR PETROLEUM COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8 a.m. on June 6, 1984, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this <u>l4th</u> day of June, 1984, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, Enstar Petroleum Company, seeks an order pooling all interests in the Wolfcamp formation (Denton Wolfcamp Pool) underlying the SW/4 SE/4 of Section 14, Township 15 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant has the right to drill and has drilled a well at a standard location thereon.
- (4) That there are royalty interest owners in the proposed proration unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.
- (5) That to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to protect correlative rights, to avoid waste, and to afford to the owner of each interest in said unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the oil in said pool, the subject application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests, whatever they may be, within said unit.

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- (6) That the applicant should be designated the operator of the subject well and unit.
- (7) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason should be placed in escrow to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That all royalty interests, whatever they may be, in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the SW/4 SE/4 of Section 14, Township 15 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, are hereby pooled to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit to be dedicated to a well drilled at a standard location thereon.
- (2) That Enstar Petroleum Company is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.
- (3) That any well costs or charges which are to be paid out of production shall be withheld only from the working interest's share of production, and no costs or charges shall be withheld from production attributable to royalty interests.
- (4) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason shall immediately be placed in escrow in Lea County, New Mexico, to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership; that the operator shall notify the Division of the name and address of said escrow agent within 30 days from the date of first deposit with said escrow agent.
- (5) That 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.

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JOE D. RAMEY,

Director