

Dockets Nos. 39-84 and 40-84 are tentatively set for October 3 and October 17, 1984. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 19, 1984

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

The following cases will be heard before Richard L. Stamets, Examiner, or Michael E. Stogner or Gilbert Quintana, Alternate Examiners:

- ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for October, 1984, from fifteen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy and Chaves Counties, New Mexico.
- (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for October, 1984, from four prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.

CASE 8269: (Continued from July 25, 1984, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Cibola Energy Corporation for a unit agreement, Lincoln and Otero Counties, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Three Rivers Unit Agreement comprising 24,539.73 acres, more or less, of Federal, State and Fee lands in Townships 9, 10 and 11 South, Ranges 8, 9, and 9 1/2 East.

CASE 8241: (Continued from August 22, 1984, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Sanders Oil & Gas Company for a unit agreement, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Rio Pecos Deep Unit comprising 1600 acres, more or less, of Federal and Fee lands in Township 10 South, Range 25 East.

CASE 8306: (Continued from August 22, 1984, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Red Mountain Associates for an unorthodox location, McKinley County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location 660 feet from the North line and 2635 feet from the East line of Section 28, Township 20 North, Range 9 West, Chico Wash-Mesaverde Oil Pool.

CASE 8273: (Continued and Readvertised)

Application of Blanks Energy Corporation for an unorthodox well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox well location 405 feet from the South line and 2000 feet from the East line of Section 16, Township 18 South, Range 35 East, South Vacuum-Devonian Pool, the W/2 SE/4 of said Section 16 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 8341: Application of Lynx Petroleum Consultants, Inc. 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 Paddock formation underlying the NE/4 SW/4 of Section 25, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard 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.

CASE 8342: Application of Amoco Production Company for an unorthodox carbon dioxide gas well location, Harding County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox well location 660 feet from the South and West lines of Section 24, Township 18 North, Range 33 East, Bravo Dome Carbon Dioxide Gas Unit (640-acre) Area, all of said Section 24 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 8315: (Continued and Readvertised)

Application of Getty Oil Company for downhole commingling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks blanket approval to downhole commingle all Grayburg-Jackson Pool and Fren-Seven Rivers production underlying its Skelly Unit located in Township 17 South, Range 31 East. In the absence of objection, this application will be approved based upon the prior record.

CASE 8330: (Continued from September 5, 1984, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Chama Petroleum Company for an unorthodox well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox well location 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 5, Township 19 South, Range 24 East, to test the Pennsylvanian and Wolfcamp formations, the N/2 of said Section 5 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 8343: Application of Chama Petroleum Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox Morrow gas well location 1200 feet from the South line and 1400 feet from the East line of Section 10, Township 22 South, Range 24 East, the E/2 of said Section 10 to be dedicated to the well.CASE 8226: (Continued from September 5, 1984, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Doyle Hartman for HARSHIP GAS WELL CLASSIFICATION, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a determination that its South Empire State Com Well No. 1 located in Unit M of Section 24, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, South Empire-Morrow Gas Pool, is a hardship gas well which should be granted priority access to pipeline takes in order to avoid waste.

CASE 8344: (This case will be dismissed)

Application of Santa Fe Energy Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location 1439 feet from the South line and 1090 feet from the West line of Section 27, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, South Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool, the S/2 of said Section 27 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 8345: Application of Texaco Inc. for a non-standard proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 160-acre non-standard proration unit comprising the S/2 S/2 of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, Skaggs Abo Gas Pool.CASE 8346: Application of BBC, Inc. for salt water disposal, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Delaware formation in the perforated interval from 3,350 feet to 3,396 feet, and into an open-hole interval from 3,555 feet to 3,700 feet in its Federal "AZ" Well No. 1 located in Section 29, Township 26 South, Range 30 East.CASE 8303: (Continued and Readvertised)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an exception to Rules 2(B) and 5(A) of Division Order R-1670-I, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Rule 2(B) of Division Order R-1670-I to permit applicant to complete its well at an unorthodox oil well location 1650 feet from the North line and 2310 feet from East line of Section 20, Township 8 South, Range 38 East, Bluit-San Andres Associated Pool. Applicant also seeks an exception to Rule 5(A) of Division Order R-1670-I for approval of a non-standard 80-acre oil proration unit comprising the SW/4 NE/4 and NW/4 SE/4 of said Section 20 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 8324: (Continued from September 5, 1984, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for a Carbon Dioxide Injection Pilot Project and unorthodox locations, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a carbon dioxide injection pilot project by the injection of carbon dioxide and water into the Grayburg formation in two wells proposed to be drilled in the West Loco Hills Unit at unorthodox locations as follows:

- (a) West Loco Hills Unit G4S Tract 13-12, located 1980 feet from the North line and 10 feet from the East line; and
- (b) West Loco Hills Unit G4S Tract 6-5, located 1475 feet from the South line and 10 feet from the East line

both in Section 12, Township 18 South, Range 29 East.

CASE 8347: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an Exception to Rule 202, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Rule 202 of the Division Rules and Regulations to provide an extension until July 1, 1987, of the obligation to plug or temporarily abandon existing wells in the West Loco Hills Grayburg No. 4 Sand Unit Area pending results of its Carbon Dioxide Injection Pilot Project to determine whether such wells can be utilized in the project.

CASE 8343: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location 950 feet from the North line and 1500 feet from the West line of Section 27, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, Casey-Strawn Pool, the N/2 NW/4 of said Section 27 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 8314: (Continued and Readvertised)

Application of Cities Service Oil & Gas Corp. for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 21, Township 21 South, Range 27 East, Burton Flats-Morrow Gas Pool, the N/2 of said Section 21 to be dedicated to the well. In the absence of objection, this application will be approved based upon the prior record.

CASE 8311: (Continued and Readvertised)

Application of Sun Exploration and Production Company for an unorthodox location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox location 2630 feet from the North line and 1625 feet from the East line of Section 27, Township 9 South, Range 36 East, to test the Montoya, Simpson and Granite Wash formations and also to test the Crossroads-Devonian Pool, the SW/4 NE/4 of said Section 27 to be dedicated to the well. In the absence of objection, this application will be approved based upon the record of hearing held on August 22, 1984.

CASE 8337: (Continued from September 5, 1984, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Schalk Development Co. for HARDSHIP GAS WELL CLASSIFICATION, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a determination that its Schalk 62 Well No. 1 located in Unit P of Section 33, Township 32 North, Range 5 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, is a hardship gas well which should be granted priority access to pipeline takes in order to avoid waste.

Docket No. 37-84

DOCKET: COMMISSION HEARING - THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 20, 1984

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION - 9 A.M. - ROOM 205
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

CASE 8275: (Continued from August 8, 1984, Examiner Hearing)
(This Case will be dismissed)

Application of Robert E. Landreth for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Morrow, Atoka and Strawn formations underlying the N/2 of Section 3, Township 25 South, Range 34 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 660 feet from the North and West lines of said Section 3. 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.

CASE 8349: Application of HNG Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the N/2 of Section 3, Township 25 South, Range 34 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard 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.

CASE 8286: (Continued from August 1, 1984, Commission Hearing)

Application of Mesa Grande Resources, Inc. for creation of a new oil pool and special pool rules, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new pool for oil production to be designated as the Gavilan Greenhorn-Graneros-Dakota Oil Pool in Townships 24 and 25 North, Range 2 West, and the promulgation of special pool rules including a provision for 160-acre spacing.

CASE 8350: Application of Jerome P. McHugh for new pool creation and special pool rules, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new oil pool to be designated as the Gavilan Greenhorn-Graneros-Dakota Oil Pool comprising Sections 1 through 3 in Township 24 North, Range 2 West and Sections 17 through 30 plus 33 through 36 in Township 25 North, Range 2 West, and the promulgation of temporary special pool rules therefor including a provision for 320-acre well spacing and proration units and specified well location requirements.

Docket No. 38-84

DOCKET: COMMISSION HEARING - WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 26, 1984
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION - 9 A.M. - ROOM 205
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

CASE 8351:

Application of Cities Service Oil & Gas Corporation for a unit agreement, Harding and San Miguel Counties, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the West Bravo Dome Unit comprising 43,154 acres, more or less, of State, Federal and Fee lands in portions of Townships 17, 18, 19 and 20 North, Ranges 29 and 30 East.

CASE 8352:

Application of Cities Service Oil & Gas Corporation for special pool rules, Harding and San Miguel Counties, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order establishing temporary 640-acre spacing rules for an area in portions of Townships 17, 18, 19 and 20 North, Ranges 29, 30 and 31 East.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

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CASE NO. 8345

Order No. R- 7728

APPLICATION OF TEXACO, INC. FOR A
NON-STANDARD PRORATION UNIT, LEA
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8 a.m. on October 3,
1984, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Gilbert P.
Quintana.

NOW, on this _____ day of October, 1984, 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) The applicant, Texaco Inc., seeks approval of a 160-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the S/2 S/2 of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Skaggs - Abo Gas Pool, to be dedicated to its M. B. WEIR "B" WELL No. 11, AT A STANDARD LOCATION IN THE SE/4 SW/4 located ~~in Unit~~ of said Section 12.

(3) The entire non-standard proration unit may reasonably be presumed productive of gas from the Skaggs-Abo Gas Pool and that the entire non-standard gas proration unit can be efficiently and economically drained and developed by the afcresaid well.

(4) Approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce his just and equitable share of the gas in the Skaggs-Abo Gas Pool, will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) The application of Texaco Inc. for a 160-acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Skaggs Abo Gas Pool comprising the S/2 S/2 of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, is hereby approved, said unit to be dedicated to ^{applicant's} ~~its~~ M.B. WEIR "B" WELL No. 11, located ~~At A~~ STANDARD LOCATION IN THE SE 1/4 SW 1/4 ~~in Unit~~ _____ of said Section 12.

(2) 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

JOE D. RAMEY,

Director

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CASE 8345: (Continued from September 19, 1984, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Texaco, Inc. for a non-standard proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 160-acre non-standard proration unit comprising the S/2 S/2 of Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, Skaggs Abo Gas Pool.

CASE 8364: Application of Santa Fe Energy Co. for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location 660 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the West line of Section 26, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, the N/2 of said Section 26 to be dedicated to the well.CASE 8365: Application of Sohio Petroleum Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the N.E. Salado Draw (Deep) Unit comprising 2,560.36 acres, more or less, of State, Federal and Fee lands in Townships 25 and 26 South, Ranges 33 and 34 East.CASE 8366: Application of Phillips Petroleum Company for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox well location, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the N/2 of Section 12, Township 6 South, Range 33 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 2310 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the West line of Section 12, Township 6 South, Range 33 East. 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.CASE 8367: Application of Hondo Oil & Gas Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the N/2 of Section 22, Township 18 South, Range 28 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard 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.CASE 8368: Application of Hamon Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to 12,000 feet underlying the N/2 of Section 25, Township 23 South, Range 26 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard 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.CASE 8369: Application of Mewbourne Oil Company to vacate and void Division Order No. R-7591, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to vacate and void Division Order No. R-7591, dated July 20, 1984, pooling all mineral interests in the Upper Pennsylvanian formation underlying the SW/4 NE/4 of Section 5, Township 20 South, Range 25 East.CASE 8370: Application of Southern Union Exploration Company for temporary special pool rules, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the promulgation of temporary special pool rules for the Northeast Vacuum-Wolfcamp Pool located in the NE/4 of Section 32, Township 16 South, Range 35 East, including a provision for 80-acre oil well spacing.CASE 8217: (Continued from September 5, 1984, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Curtis J. Little for HARSHIP GAS WELL CLASSIFICATION, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a determination that its Federal Com Well No. 2E located in Unit N of Section 11, Township 28 North, Range 13 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, is a hardship gas well which should be granted priority access to pipeline takes in order to avoid waste.

CASE 8337: (Continued from September 19, 1984, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Schalk Development Co. for HARSHIP GAS WELL CLASSIFICATION, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a determination that its Schalk 62 Well No. 1 located in Unit P of Section 33, Township 32 North, Range 5 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, is a hardship gas well which should be granted priority access to pipeline takes in order to avoid waste.