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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Mr. William J. LeMay  
Oil Conservation Division  
P. O. Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

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Re: Curtis J. Little  
Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool


Case 9095

Dear Mr. LeMay:

On behalf of Curtis J. Little, please find enclosed our application to establish special pool rules for the Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, or in the alternative, for the extension of the West Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool and the corresponding abolishment of the Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool.

We would request that this application be set for hearing on the examiner's docket set for March 4, 1987. We have sent notification to those companies and individuals shown in the application.

Very truly yours,

  
W. Thomas Kellahin

WTK:ca  
Enc.

cc: A. L. Kendrick

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND MINERALS  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF CURTIS J. LITTLE FOR THE  
CREATION OF SPECIAL POOL RULES  
FOR THE OJITO GALLUP-DAKOTA OIL  
POOL, INCLUDING A PROVISION FOR  
160-ACRE SPACING, OR IN THE  
ALTERNATIVE, TO ABOLISH THE  
OJITO GALLUP-DAKOTA OIL POOL AND  
TO EXTEND THE WEST LINDRITH  
GALLUP-DAKOTA OIL POOL, RIO  
ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

CASE: 9095

A P P L I C A T I O N

Comes now CURTIS J. LITTLE, by and through his attorneys, Kellahin, Kellahin & Aubrey, and hereby makes application to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for an order creating Special Pool Rules for the Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, including a provision for 160-acre spacing, or in the alternative, for an order abolishing the Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool and a corresponding expansion of the West Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, and in support thereof states:

1. Applicant, Curtis J. Little, is an operator in the Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool.

2. The Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool was established on June 1, 1972, by Division Order R-4311, is currently

spaced on 40-acre state wide spacing and consists of the following described acreage:

Township 25 North, Range 3 West, NMPM

Section 1 through 10: All  
Section 12: NW/4  
Section 15 through 18: All  
Section 19: NE/4  
Section 20: N/2  
Section 21: NW/4, W/2NE/4

3. That the E/2NE/4 of Section 21, T25N, R3W, NMPM, should be included within the proposed pool.

4. It is no longer economic to continue the drilling of new wells in the existing Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool on the existing state-wide 40-acre spacing units established for the pool.

5. The continuation of the existing 40-acre spacing in the Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool may result in the drilling of unnecessary wells.

6. Certain wells in the current Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool are capable of effectively and efficiently draining 160-acre spacing units.

7. The southern boundary of the existing Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool is contiguous with the northern boundary of the West Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool and appear to be in the same common source of supply with similar producing characteristics.

8. The West Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool was created by Division Order R-4260 effective March 1, 1972

and has special pool rules, including provisions for 160-acre spacing.

9. In order to protect correlative rights of operators in the existing Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, a procedure should be adopted for the approval of non-standard 40-acre spacing and proration units for any existing pool wells for which the respective operator deems it appropriate not to amend said spacing and proration unit to 160-acres.

10. The Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool should have the same pool rules as are in effect for the West Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool.

11. Pursuant to Division Rules the applicant has provided notice to the operators shown on Exhibit A attached hereto.

WHEREFORE, the applicant requests that this application be set for hearing and that after notice and hearing the application be granted as requested.

Respectfully submitted:



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## **OPERATORS OF WELLS**

### **OJITO GALLUP-DAKOTA OIL POOL**

Amoco Production Company  
1600 Broadway  
Denver, Colorado 80202

Elliott Oil Company  
P. O. Box 1355  
Roswell, New Mexico 87201

Curtis J. Little (Applicant)  
P. O. Box 1258  
Farmington, New Mexico 87499

Minel, Inc.  
457-C Washington, S.E.  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87108

Petro-Lewis Petroleum Corporation  
P. O. Box 2250  
Denver, Colorado 80201

M. R. Schalk  
P. O. Box 25825  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87125

Southland Royalty Company  
P. O. Box 4289  
Farmington, New Mexico 87499

Texaco, Inc.  
P. O. Box 2100  
Denver, Colorado 80201

Union Texas Petroleum Corporation  
375 U.S. Highway 64  
Farmington, New Mexico 87401