## STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

CASE NO. 9281 Order No. R-8590

APPLICATION OF H. L. BROWN, JR. FOR AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATION, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

### ORDER OF THE DIVISION

#### BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on January 6, 1988, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this  $19 \rm th$  day of January, 1988, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

## FINDS THAT:

- (I) 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, H. L. Brown, Jr., seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location 1650 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 28, Township 7 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, to test the Undesignated North Bluitt Siluro-Devonian Pool, Roosevelt County, New Mexico.
- (3) The S/2 NE/4 of said Section 28 is to be dedicated to the well forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool.
- (4) A well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the oil underlying the proration unit.
- (5) No offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.

Approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the oil in the affected 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:

- (I) An unorthodox oil well location for the Undesignated Bluitt Siluro-Devonian Pool is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 1650 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 28, Township 7 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Roosevelt County, New Mexico.
- The S/2 NE/4 of said Section 28 shall be dedicated to the above-described well.
- (3) 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

WILLIAM J. LEMAY

Director