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August 8, 1991

CAMBELL & BLACK Attorneys at Law P. O. Box 2208 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

RE:

CASE NO. 10303

ORDER NO. R-9255-A

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Division order recently entered in the subject case.

Sincerely,

Florene Davidson OC Staff Specialist

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cc:

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OCD Aztec Office

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. 10303

APPLICATION OF BASF CORPORATION FOR AMENDMENT OF DIVISION ORDER NO. R-9255, AS AMENDED BY ORDER NO. R-9255-A, TO PROVIDE FOR A HORIZONTAL DRILLING PILOT PROJECT, SPECIAL OPERATING RULES THEREFOR, A NON-STANDARD OIL PRORATION UNIT AND AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATION, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

This Prehearing Statement is submitted by Campbell & Black, P.A., as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

APPEARANCES OF PARTIES

| APPLICANT | ATTORNEY |
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| BASF Corporation c/o David Howell 5 Post Oak Park, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77027 (713) 850-2511 name, address, phone and contact person | William F. Carr, Esq Campbell & Black, P.A Post Office Box 2208 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504 (505) 988-4421 |
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STATEMENT OF CASE

<u>APPLICANT</u>

(Please make a concise statement of what is being sought with this application and the reasons therefore.)

BASF Corporation, applicant in the above-captioned cause, seeks to amend Division Order No. R-9255, as amended by R-9255-A, to form a new 160-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit for its horizontal directional drilling pilot project comprising the N/2 SW/4, SW/4 SW/4 and NW/4 SE/4 of Section 28, Township 31 North, Range 14 West, as projected into the unsurveyed Ute Mountain Indian Reservation. Applicant proposes to utilize its existing Ute Mt. Tribal "28" Well No. 14 located at an unorthodox surface location 1284 feet from the South line and 1112 feet from the West line (Unit M) of said Section 28, kick-off from vertical at a depth of approximately 4,435 feet in a northeasterly direction. Applicant further seeks special rules and provisions within the pilot project area including the designation of a prescribed area limiting the horizontal displacement of the wellbore such that its productive interval can be no closer than 50 feet to the outer boundary of its assigned spacing and proration unit and special allowable provisions for the corresponding sized oil proration unit.

OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY

(Please make a concise statement of the basis for opposing this application or otherwise state the position of the party filing this statement.)

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PROPOSED EVIDENCE

APPLICANT

WITNESSES EST. TIME EXHIBITS

(Name and expertise)

David Howell, 20 Min. Approximately 6

OPPOSITION

WITNESSES EST. TIME EXHIBITS (Name and expertise)

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

(Please identify any procedural matters which need to be resolved prior to hearing)

Signature

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Re.

In the Matter of the Application of BASF Corporation for Amendment of Division Order No. R-9255, as Amended by Order No. R-9255-A, to Provide for a Horizontal Drilling Pilot Project, Special Operating Rules Therefore, a Non-Standard Oil Proration Unit, and an Unorthodox Oil Well Location, San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Enclosed in triplicate is an Application of BASF Corporation in the above-referenced case. BASF Corporation respectfully requests that this matter be placed on the docket for the May 2, 1991 Examiner hearings.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. CARR

WFC:mlh Enclosures

cc w/enclosure:

Mr. David Howell