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. 8998 Order No. R-8350

APPLICATION OF AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF A UNIT AGREEMENT, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

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This cause came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on November 5, 1986, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this <u>12th</u> day of November, 1986, 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, Amoco Production Company, seeks approval of the Bear Canyon Unit Agreement for all oil and gas in any and all formations from the surface to 100 feet below the base of the Dakota formation underlying those lands described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

(3) No interested parties appeared and objected to the proposed unit area.

(4) All plans of development and operation and creations, expansions, or contractions of participating areas or expansions or contractions of the unit area, should be submitted to the Director of the Division for approval. -2-Case No. 8998 Order No. R-8350

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(5) Approval of the proposed unit agreement should promote the prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights within the unit area.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) The Bear Canyon Unit Agreement is hereby approved for all oil and gas in any and all formations from the surface to 100 feet below the base of the Dakota formation underlying those lands described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

(2) The plan contained in said unit agreement for the development and operation of the unit area is hereby approved in principle as a proper conservation measure; provided, however, that notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in said unit agreement, this approval shall not be considered as waiving or relinquishing, in any manner, any right, duty, or obligation which is now, or may hereafter be, vested in the Division to supervise and control operations for the exploration and development of any lands committed to the unit and production of oil or gas therefrom.

(3) The unit operator shall file with the Division an executed original or executed counterpart of the unit agreement within 30 days after the effective date thereof; in the event of subsequent joinder by any party or expansion or contraction of the unit area, the unit operator shall file with the Division within 30 days thereafter counterparts of the unit agreement reflecting the subscription of those interests having joined or ratified.

(4) All plans of development and operation, all unit participating areas and expansions and contractions thereof, and all expansions or contractions of the unit area, shall be submitted to the Director of the Oil Conservation Division for approval.

(5) This order shall become effective upon the approval of said unit agreement by the Director of the appropriate agency of the United States Department of Interior; this order shall terminate <u>ipso facto</u> upon the termination of said unit agreement; and the last unit operator shall notify the Division immediately in writing of such termination.

(6) Jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

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DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.



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R. L. STAMETS Director

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EXHIBIT "A" ORDER NO. R-8350 CASE NO. 8998

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BEAR CANYON UNIT AREA RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST, NMPM Section 1: S/2 Section 2: S/2 Section 3: S/2 Sections 10 through 15: All

Comprising 4,800.00 acres, more or less, of Federal and Patented lands.