CASE 5617: ROBINSUN RESURCES

DEVELOPMENT CO., INC. FOR AN
UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

# CASE NO.

5617

APPlication,
Transcripts,
Small Exhibits,

ETC.



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STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. BOX 2088 - SANTA FE 87501

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# BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 5617 Order No. R-5161

APPLICATION OF ROBINSON RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC. FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on January 20, 1976, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 3rd day of February, 1976, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

### FINDS:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, Robinson Resource Development Company, Inc., seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location 1530 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line of Section 18, Township 21 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, to test the Pennsylvanian formation.
- (3) That the N/2 of said Section 18 is to be dedicated to the well.
- (4) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the proration unit.
- (5) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.
- (6) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the gas in the subject 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.

-2-Case No. 5617 Order No. R-5161

### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That an unorthodox gas well location for the Pennsylvanian formation is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 1530 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line of Section 18, Township 21 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (2) That the N/2 of said Section 18 shall be dedicated to the above-described well.
- (3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PHIL R. LUCERO, Chairman

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MR. NUTTER: We will call Case 5617.

MR. CARR: Case 5617, Application of Robinson Resource Development Company, Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico.

MR. HINKLE: Clarence Hinkle, Hinkle, Bondurant, Cox and Eaton, appearing on behalf of Robinson Resources and we have one witness and three exhibits.

(THEREUPON, the witness was duly sworn.)

# MARK L. ROBINSON

called as a witness, having been first duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

# DIRECT EXAMINATION

# BY MR. HINKLE:

- State your name and your residence? Q.
- Mark L. Robinson, Roswell, New Mexico. A.
- What is your position with Robinson Resources?
- I'm the president of Robinson Resource Development Q. A.

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- Have you previously testified before the Commission? Š.
- Yes, sir. A. 22
  - And qualified as a petroleum geologist? Q.
  - Yes, sir. A.
  - Have you made a study of the area which is involved Q.

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in this case?

A. Yes, I have.

MR. HINKLE: Are his qualifications sufficient?
MR. NUTTER: Yes, they are.

- Q (Mr. Hinkle continuing.) Have you prepared or has there been prepared under your direction, certain exhibits for introduction in this case?
  - A. Yes, sir.
  - O. They are the ones marked One, Two and Three?
  - A. That is correct.
- Q. Refer to Exhibit One and explain what this is and what it shows?

around the proposed unorthodox location, which is indicated by the arrow. The leases colored yellow are under lease to Robinson Resource Development Company. The red box covering the north half of Section 18 is a communitized three twenty, we are going to drill the well on. The well is unorthodox, of course, by virtue of its closeness to the eastern boundary of the communitized area. I might also point out that the communitized area is drawn along, covering the north half of Section 18 because Gulf has two Federal leases which expire March 1st, and, therefore, the communitization is so constructed as to protect those leases from exploit.

O. The communitization agreement has been signed by

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- A Yes, sir.
- Q What is the blue line which is shown on Exhibit Two?
- A. The blue line is a working interest unit we're in the process of forming to obtain financial and leasehold cooperation from the various lease owners who own acreage within those five sections.
- Q Upon the formation of this working interest, the well, then, would appear to be right about the center of the whole working interest unit, is that correct?
  - A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Now, refer to Exhibit Three and explain what this shows?
- A. Exhibit Three is a location plat showing the unorthodox well location with the red dot and showing various cultural and topographic features that influenced our positioning of the well. The paved roadway is the highway between the Artesia-Carlsbad highway and Sitting Bull Falls. The Deadman's Draw, which is labeled "deep, dry wash" is about a twenty-foot deep, steep-walled gulley and these two features have had a measure of influence on where we could put the well. That is the reason for submitting the plat.
  - Q What is the character of the surface of this area?
  - A. It is a very flat, limestone boulder outcrop area.
  - Q. You couldn't very well locate the well any further from your lease line and get your area necessary for your

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well, is that right?

- A. No, sir, that is correct.
- Q Do you have any further comments with respect to these exhibits?
- A. Well, I might point out, going back to Exhibit Two, the standard location, of course, on the three twenty would be nineteen hundred and eighty feet from the east line of Section 18. However, we don't feel that would be an adequate test of the structure because we would be falling off the crest some hundred feet. I probably should have gotten that in a little earlier in the testimony. That is one of the primary reasons I'm here.
  - Q So you will have the most strategic and the best chance to get production?
    - A. Yes, sir.
  - Q In your opinion, will approval of this application be in the interest of conservation and the prevention of waste and protect correlative rights?
    - A. Yes, sir.

MR. HINKLE: We would like to offer Exhibits One through Three.

MR. NUTTER: Exhibits One through Three will be admitted into evidence.

(THEREUPON, Applicant's Exhibits One through Three were admitted into evidence.)

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Actually, Mr. Robinson, it is a combination of not only surface terrain and this highway and wash and so forth but also some geological considerations that dictates the location of the well?

CROSS EXAMINATION

Yes, sir.

And it is a consideration of leases-mostly that dictates the north half of the section rather than the east half of the section?

That is correct.

Has any thought been given to forming a regular unit or will it just be strictly a working interest unit here?

Well, it's a working interest unit. The principal consideration is time. To form a Federal unit it just takes a great deal of time.

I do note that there are a lot of Federal leases in this proposed working interest unit but there are some fee leases in here also and as a matter of fact, this well it appears, will be drilled on a fee lease?

Let me back that last question up just Yes, sir. We went to the Federal people and talked to them about this and they really would not approve it with so many a minute. fee leases involved. That is the real answer to your question

MR. NUTTER: Are there any further questions of

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Mr. Robinson? He may be excused.

(THEREUPON, the witness was excused.)

MR. NUTTER: Do you have anything further, Mr.

Hinkle?

MR. HINKLE: That's all, thank you.

MR. NUTTER: Does anyone have anything they wish to offer in Case 5617? We will take the case under advisement.

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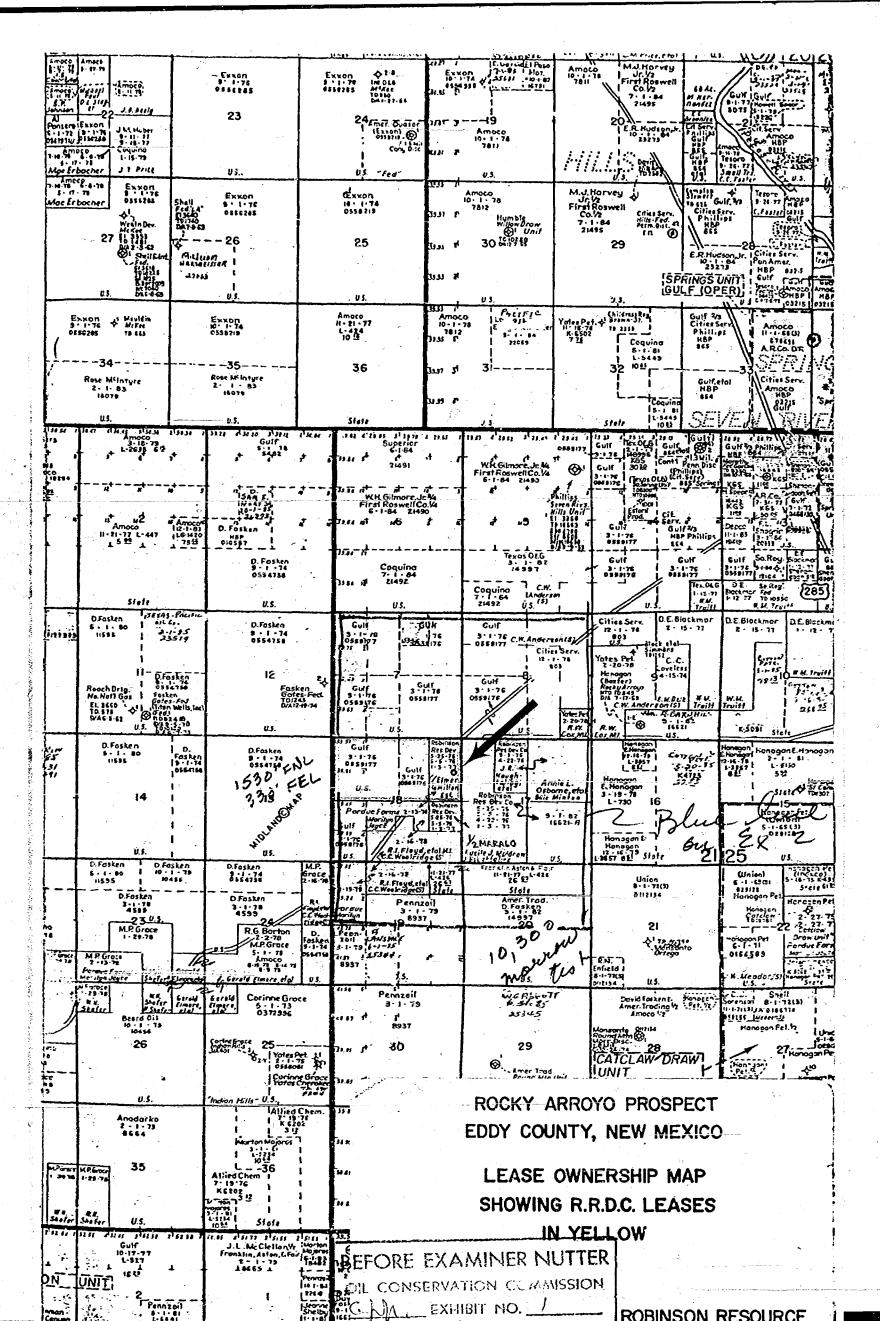
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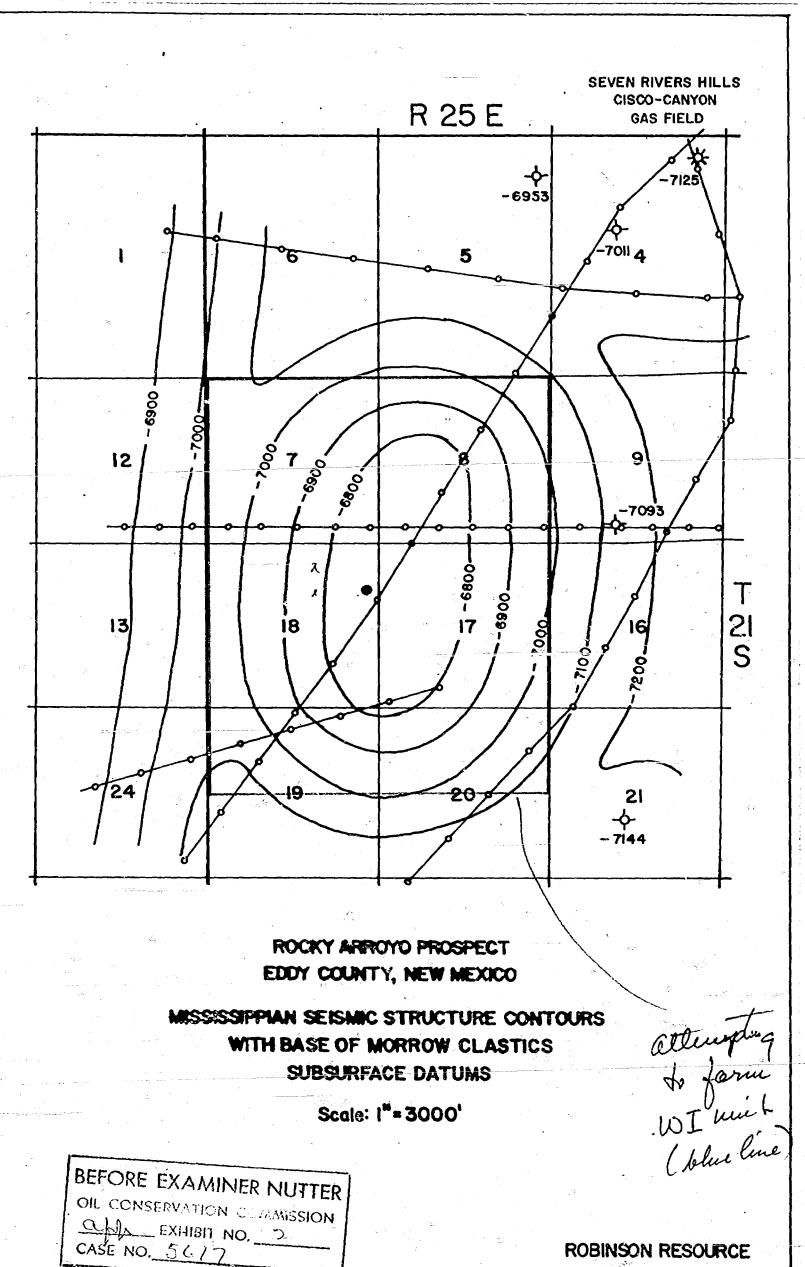
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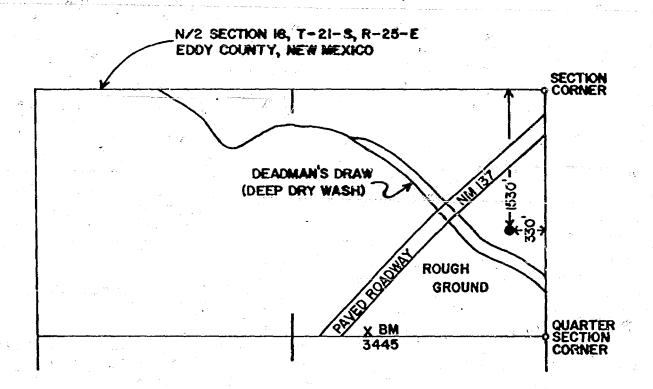
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ROBINSON RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT CO. INC.

# ROCKY ARROYO PROSPECT EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



LOCATION PLAT
SHOWING UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION
AND ADJACENT TOPOGRAPHIC
AND CULTURAL FEATURES

Scale: 1"= 1000'

BEFORE EXAMINER NUTTER
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Dockets Nos. 5-76 and 6-76 are tentatively set for hearing on February 4 and February 18, 1976. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

### DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - TUESDAY - JANUARY 20, 1976

### 9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM,

STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Richard L. Stamets, Alternate Examiner:

- CASE 5614: Application of Amerada Hess Corporation for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to commingle Basin-Dakota gas production and oil produced from an undesignated Gallup pool in the wellbore of its Apache "A" Well No. 7, located in Unit J of Section 26, Township 25 North, Range 5 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5615: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Morely EW Well No. 1, located 660 feet from the South and East lines of Section 27, Township 17 South, Range 25 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, the S/2 of said Section 27 to be dedicated to the well.
- Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for an unorthodox gas well location and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to simultaneously dedicate a previously approved 320-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the W/2 of Section 29, Township 24 South Range 37 East, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to its W. H. Harrison "D" WN Com Well No. 1, located in Unit L of said Section 29 and its W. H. Harrison "A" WN Well No. 2, at an appropriate of 600 foot from the North and West lines of said Section 29 CASE 5616: an unorthodox location 660 feet from the North and West lines of said Section 29.
- CASE 5617: Application of Robinson Resource Development Company, Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of a Morrow test well to be drilled 1530 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line of Section 18, Township 21 South, Range 25 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, the N/2 of said Section 18 to be dedicated to the well.
- Application of Mesa Petroleum Co. for a triple completion, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the triple completion (conventional) of its Primo Well No. 1A, located in Unit D of Section 6, Township 31 North, Range 10 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, CASE 5618: to produce gas from the Pictured Cliffs, Chacra and Mesaverde formations.

### CASE 5117: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case 5117 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-4691, which order established temporary special pool rules for the North Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on less than 320-acre spacing and why the special depth bracket allowable should remain in effect.

- Application of Agua, Inc. for an extension of time, Order No. R-4495-A, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a 90-day extension of the February 7, 1976, deadline to cease the disposal of produced salt water through perforations from 4,230 feet to 4,320 feet in its SWD Well CASE 5619: No. C-2, located in Unit C of Section 2, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5603: (Continued from January 7, 1976 Examiner Hearing)

Application of Burleson and Huff for compulsory pooling, a non-standard gas proration unit, and an unorthodox location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Jalmat Gas Pool underlying the NW/4 of Section 35, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to form a non-standard 160-acre proration unit; applicant further seeks the pooling of all mineral interests in the Langlie-Mattix Pool underlying each of the following tracts in said Section 35 to form three standard 40-acre proration units: the NE/4 NW/4, to be dedicated to applicant's Dabbs Well No. 1, located 330 feet from the North line and 2310 feet from the West line of said Section 35; the SE/4 NW/4, to be dedicated to applicant's Dabbs Well No. 3, located 1980 feet from the North and West lines of said Section 35; and the SW/4 NW/4, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled on said tract at a standard Langlie-Nattix Pool location. In the event re-entry into either the Dabbs Well No. 1 or No. 3 is unsuccessful, applicant proposes to drill a replacement well at a standard location on its tract. Applicant further proposes to dedicate the 160-acre Jalmat proration unit to one of the three above-described wells, and in the event it should be the Dabbs Well No. 1, applicant seeks approval for the unorthodox Jalmat location for said well. Also to be considered will be the cost of re-entering, drilling, and completing said wells and the allocation of such costs as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of the applicant as operator of the wells and a charge for the risk involved in re-entering, drilling, and completing said well.

CASE 5604: (Continued from January 7, 1976 Examiner Hearing)

Application of Burleson & Huff for a waterflood project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project in the Querecho Plains-Queen Pool by the injection of water into the Queen fornation through its Anadarko Federal Well No. 6 to be drilled at an unorthodox location in the approximate center of the SW/4 of Section 27, Township 18 South, Range 32 East, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant further seeks an administrative procedure for approval of additional wells at standard and non-standard locations within the project area.

Dockets Nos. 5-76 and 6-76 are tentatively set for hearing on February 4 and February 18, 1976. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

### DOCKET: COMMISSION HEARING - WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 21, 1976

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION - MORGAN HALL STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FF, NEW MEXICO

### CASE 5592: (De Novo)

Application of Agua, Inc. for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced water by injection into the San Andres formation through the open-hole interval from approximately 4000 to 5000 feet in its Blinebry-Drinkard SWD System Well No. A-22 located 817 feet from the North line and 965 feet from the East line of Section 22, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

Upon application of Agua, Inc., this case will be heard <u>De Novo</u> pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1220.

### CASE 5571: (De Novo)

Application of Robert G. Cox for amendment of Order No. R-4561, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks amendment of Order No. R-4561, which order permitted the directional drilling of applicant's Federal "EA" Well No. 1, located 330 feet from the North and West lines of Section 12, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, Empire-Abo Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to be bottomed within 100 feet of the surface location. Applicant seeks the amendment of said order to permit bottoming of the subject well approximately 58 feet from the North line and 8 feet from the West line of said Section 12 and to permit verification of said downhole location by single-shot directional surveys made concurrently with the drilling of said well.

Upon application of Robert G. Cox, this case will be heard  $\underline{\text{Novo}}$  pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1220.

NOTE: Case No. 5592, above, will be dismissed at the request of applicant.

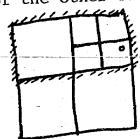
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APPLICATION OF ROBINSON RESOURCE
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WELL LOCATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW
MEXICO. APPLICANT SEEKS APPROVAL
FOR AN UNORTHODOX LOCATION OF A
WELL TO BE DRILLED 1530 FEET FROM
THE NORTH LINE AND 330 FEET FROM
THE EAST LINE SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP
21 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, N.M.P.M.
(UNIT H) TO TEST THE MORROW FORMATION
AND THE DEDICATION OF SAID WELL TO
THE N<sup>2</sup> SAID SECTION 18.

Oil Conservation Commission Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Comes Robinson Resource Development Company, Inc., acting by and through the undersigned attorneys, and hereby makes application for approval of an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval for an unorthodox location of a well to be drilled 1530 feet from the north line and 330 feet from the east line Section 18, Township 21 south, Range 25 East, N.M.P.M. the east line Section 18, Township 21 south, Range 25 East, N.M.P.M. (Unit H) to test the Morrow formation and the dedication of said well to the N½ said Section 18, and in support thereof respectfully shows:

- 1. There is attached hereto, as Exhibit "A", a plat indicating the proposed unorthodox location and that the N½ Section 18 is to be dedicated to said well. Said plat also shows the ownership of all of the leasehold interests within said Section 18 and within a radius of 2 miles surrounding said section. Said exhibit also shows all the wells which have been drilled in the area.
- 2. The oil and gas leases covering the N½ Section 18 are owned by Gulf Oil Company and applicant and said parties have agreed to enter into a Communitization Agreement covering said half section, enter into a Communitization Agreement covering said half section, enter the propose of drilling the proposed well, which will be projected for the purpose of drilling the proposed well, which will be projected to test the Morrow formation of Pennsylvanian age. Gulf Oil Company to test the Morrow formation of Pennsylvanian age. Gulf Oil Company and Robinson Resource Development Company, Inc. also own most of the oil and gas leases offsetting said proposed location to the north, oil and gas leases offsetting said proposed location: of the other owners of leases offsetting said proposed location:



David Fasken 608 First National Bank Bldg. Midland, Texas 79701

Michael P. Grace P.O. Box 1418 Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

(unleased mineral interest) MARALO, Inc. Midland Tower Midland, Texas 79701

Copies of this application are being mailed to all of the above offset owners.

- 3. That the approval of the proposed unorthodox location is desired partially due to the topography of the area and in order to obtain the most strategic location in view of the geological information available for making a discovery of gas in paying quantities in the Morrow formation the Morrow formation.
- 4. Applicant believes that the approval of this application will be in the interest of conservation, the prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights.
- 5. Applicant requests that this application be included on the examiner's docket for a hearing in January, 1976.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBINSON RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC.

Attorneys for Applicant P.O. Box 10

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Gentlemen:

We enclose herewith in triplicate application of Robinson Resource Development Company, Inc. for an unorthodox location in Eddy County. We would appreciate this matter being placed on the docket for an examiner's hearing in January.

Yours very truly,

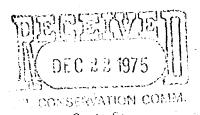
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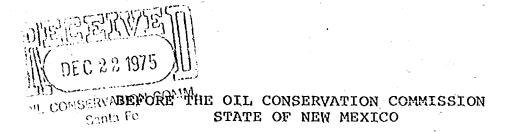
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# DEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING: du 5617 CASE NO Order No. R- 5/6/ APPLICATION OF ROBINSON RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC. FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. ORDER OF THE COMMISSION BY THE COMMISSION: This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on <u>January 20</u> at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner <u>Daniel S. Nutter</u> day of January O NOW, on this a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises, FINDS: (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof. Company, Inc. (2) That the applicant, Robinson Resource Development/, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location 1530 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line of Section 18, Township South , Range 25 East Eddy County, New Mexico,

well.

(4) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable

(3) That the N/2 of said Section 18 is to be dedicated to the

- (4) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the progration unit.
- (5) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.

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(6) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the gas in the subject 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:

(1) That an unorthodox gas well location for the
formation is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 1530
feet from the <u>North</u> line and <u>330</u> feet from the <u>East</u>
line of Section 18, Township 21 South, Range 25 East
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(2) That the $\frac{N/2}{}$ of said Section $\frac{18}{}$ shall be dedicated to

- the above-described well.
- (3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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