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. 10884 ORDER NO. R-10040

APPLICATION OF GECKO, INC. FOR AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on December 16, 1993, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Jim Morrow.

NOW, on this 22nd day of December, 1993, the Division Director, having considered 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, Gecko, Inc., seeks authority to drill its Gecko State "35" Well No. 1 at an unorthodox oil well location 434 feet from the North line and 1762 feet from the East line (Unit B) of Section 35, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, to test the Undesignated Casey-Strawn Pool, the N/2 NE/4 of said Section 35 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit.
- (3) At the time of the hearing the applicant stated that the well had already been drilled, that the well was dry in the Strawn formation, and that the well would be properly plugged using procedures to be obtained from the Hobbs District Office of the Division. The applicant also stated that any future well completion attempts would not be initiated until application for approval had been submitted to and received from the appropriate office of the Oil Conservation Division.

- (4) The applicant requested this case be dismissed.
- (5) The applicant's request for dismissal should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

Case No. 10884 is hereby dismissed.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

WILLIAM J. FEMAY Director

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