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. 11574 ORDER NO. R-10665

APPLICATION OF TEXACO EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION INC. FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION AND SIMULTANEOUS DEDICATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on September 5, 1996, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this <u>16th</u> day of September, 1996, 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, Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. ("Texaco"), seeks approval of an unorthodox Jalmat gas well location for its E. E. Blinebry "A" Federal (NCT-1) Com Well No. 4 (API No. 30-025-33430) to be drilled 1870 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the West line (Lot 3/Unit L) of Section 31, Township 23 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, within an existing non-standard 355.96-acre gas spacing and proration unit ("GPU") for said Jalmat Gas Pool comprising Lots 1 and 2, E/2 SW/4, N/2 SE/4, and SE/4 SE/4 of Section 31 and the S/2 SW//4 of Section 32, both in Township 23 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. The applicant further seeks to simultaneously dedicate Jalmat gas production within the subject GPU from the proposed E. E. Blinebry "A" Federal (NCT-1) Com Well No. 4 with the existing E. E. Blinebry "A" Federal (NCT-1) Com Well No.

2 (also designated the OXY USA, Inc. Myers Langlie Mattix Unit Well No. 95) (API No. 30-025-10912), located 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit I) of said Section 31 and the E. E. Blinebry "A" Federal (NCT-1) Com Well No. 3 (also designated the OXY USA, Inc. Myers Langlie Mattix Unit Well No. 97) (API No. 30-025-10909), located at an unorthodox gas well location [approved by Division Administrative Order NSL-2984(SD), dated February 4, 1991] 1980 feet from the South and West lines (Unit K) of said Section 31.

- (3) By Administrative Order NSL-2894-A(SD), dated September 4, 1996, the Division approved the subject application, thereby making this case unnecessary.
- (4) Furthermore, the applicant, prior to the hearing, requested this matter be dismissed.
 - (5) Dismissal of this case should therefore be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

Case No. 11574 is hereby dismissed.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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WILLIAM). LEMAY

Director

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