Entered April 15, 1958 Of. P.

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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

CASE NO. 1416 Order No. R-1153

APPLICATION OF AZTEC OIL & GAS COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION IN THE BLANCO MESAVERDE POOL IN SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on April 9, 1958, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner duly appointed by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this // day of April, 1958, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced and the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, 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, Aztec Oil & Gas Company, is the owner and operator of a certain oil and gas lease in Section 30, Township 32 North, Range 12 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the above-described area is within the horizontal limits of the Blanco Mesaverde Pool.
- (4) That Section 1 (c) of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Blanco Mesaverde Pool as set forth in Order No. R-110, and as amended by Order No. R-397, provides that a well drilled to the Blanco Mesaverde Pool "shall be located 990 feet from the outer boundary of either the northeast or southwest quarter of the section, subject to variation of 200 feet for topographic conditions."
- (5) That the applicant proposes to drill its Culpepper-Martin Well No. 9 to the Blanco Mesaverde Pool at a point 1850 feet from the North line and 1950 feet from the West line, in the NW/4 of Section 30, Township 32 North, Range 12 West, NMPM, San Juan

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County, New Mexico, in exception to the well spacing provision set forth above.

- (6) That the unorthodox location for the proposed Culpepper-Martin Well No. 9 is necessitated by prior unorthodox development in the SE/4 of said Section 30 and by topographical obstructions in the area.
- (7) That approval of the subject application will not cause waste nor impair correlative rights.
 - (8) That the subject application should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That the applicant, Aztec Oil & Gas Company, be and the same is hereby authorized to drill its proposed Culpepper-Martin Well No. 9 to the Blanco Mesaverde Pool at a point 1850 feet from the North line and 1950 feet from the West line of Section 30, Township 32 North, Range 12 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year herein-above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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