

*Entered January 15, 1963*  
*W. B. 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 NEW MEXICO FOR  
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE No. 2118 )  
CASE No. 2459 ) Consolidated  
Order No. R-1826-B

APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL COMPANY  
(FORMERLY THE OHIO OIL COMPANY) FOR  
160-ACRE PRORATION UNITS IN THE LEA-  
DEVONIAN POOL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on December 19, 1962, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 28th day of December, 1962, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony presented and the exhibits received at said hearing, 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 by Order No. R-1826-A entered in Cases 2118 - 2459 (Consolidated) on December 21, 1961, temporary special rules and regulations were promulgated for the Lea-Devonian Pool.

(3) That the evidence presented at the hearing of this case establishes that the Lea-Devonian Pool can be efficiently and economically drained and developed on 160-acre proration units.

(4) That the evidence establishes that 160-acre proration units will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent reduced recovery which might result from the drilling of too few wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

(5) That the temporary special rules and regulations promulgated for the subject pool by Order No. R-1826-A should

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be made permanent, effective January 1, 1963, provided however, that a 160-acre proportional factor of 12.33 should be adopted for allowable purposes.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the temporary special rules and regulations promulgated for the Lea-Devonian Pool by Order No. R-1826-A entered in Cases 2118 - 2459 (Consolidated) on December 21, 1961, are hereby made permanent.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, That Rule 5 of the special rules and regulations for the Lea-Devonian Pool shall be amended to read in its entirety as follows:


"RULE 5. A 160-acre proration unit (158 through 162 acres) in the Lea-Devonian Pool shall be assigned a proportional factor of 12.33 for allowable purposes, and in the event there is more than one well on a 160-acre proration unit, the operator may produce the allowable assigned to the unit from the wells on the unit in any proportion."

(2) That this order shall be effective January 1, 1963.

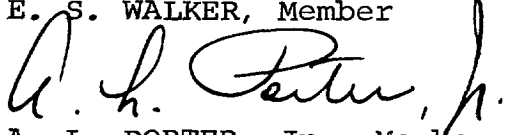
(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is hereby retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

  
TOM BOLACK, Chairman

  
E. S. WALKER, Member

  
A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

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