Entered Dance 10, 1963

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. 2796 Order No. R-2473

APPLICATION OF TEXACO INC. FOR AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCA-TION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on April 24, 1963, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this 3rd day of May, 1963, 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, Texaco Inc., seeks authority to drill its L. R. Manning Federal "B" Well No. 4 at an unorthodox location 330 feet from the South line and 1491 feet from the East line of Section 28, Township 18 South, Range 30 East, NMPM, North Benson Queen-Grayburg Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (3) That a standard location 330 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the East line of said Section 28 would be on a paved access road to a potash mine.
- (4) That the applicant could drill the proposed well to the west of the access road, but this would necessitate the additional cost of installing flow lines under the highway to applicant's tank battery on the east side of the highway.
- (5) That approval of the subject application will prevent unreasonable and unnecessary well-location costs, thereby preventing economic waste.

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(6) That approval of the subject application will neither cause waste nor impair correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, Texaco Inc., is hereby authorized to drill its L. R. Manning Federal "B" Well No. 4 at an unorthodox location 330 feet from the South line and 1491 feet from the East line of Section 28, Township 18 South, Range 30 East, NMPM, North Benson Queen-Grayburg Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (2) 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

JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman

E. S. WALKER, Member

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

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