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# 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. 2944 Order No. R-2614

APPLICATION OF SOCONY MOBIL OIL COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

# ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on November 20, 1963, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Daniel S. Nutter, 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 10th day of December, 1963, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Daniel S. Nutter, 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, Socony Mobil Oil Company, seeks an exception to the Special Rules and Regulations governing the Vacuum-Devonian, Vacuum-Wolfcamp, and North Vacuum-Abo Pools, Lea County, New Mexico, to drill a well at an unorthodox location 600 feet east of the center of the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 36, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the temporary Special Rules and Regulations governing the three subject pools provide for 80-acre spacing, and the proposed location would be extremely close to a quarter-quarter section line if any of the subject pools should subsequently revert to 40-acre spacing.
- (4) That the applicant has not established that there is a necessity for the proposed location.
- (5) That the applicant proposes to dedicate the N/2 SW/4 of said Section 36 to the proposed well.

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- (6) That the applicant has not established the productivity of the proposed 80-acre unit.
- (7) That the applicant has not established that approval of the subject application will either prevent waste or protect correlative rights.
  - (8) That the subject application should be denied.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the subject application is hereby denied.
- (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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