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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. 3536 Order No. R-3202

APPLICATION OF TENNECO OIL COMPANY FOR TWO UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCA-TIONS, SAN JUAN AND RIO ARRIBA COUNTIES, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

## BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on March 8, 1967, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>14th</u> day of March, 1967, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, 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, Tenneco Oil Company, seeks approval of unorthodox gas well locations in the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool for its following-described wells:

Dawson Federal Well No. 1, located 835 feet from the North line and 1150 feet from the West line of Section 26, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, and

Jicarilla "C" Well No. 8, located 1850 feet from the North line and 790 feet from the West line of Section 13, Township 26 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

(3) That the subject wells were originally projected to the Dakota formation and were drilled at standard locations for the Basin-Dakota Gas Pool.

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(4) That approval of the subject application should result in the recovery of otherwise unrecoverable gas as the applicant proposes to dually complete the subject wells in the Basin-Dakota Gas Pool and the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool, and the geological conditions in the area will not justify single completion in the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool.

(5) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the gas in the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool, will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, and otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Tenneco Oil Company, is hereby authorized unorthodox gas well locations in the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool for its following-described wells:

- Dawson Federal Well No. 1, located 835 feet from the North line and 1150 feet from the West line of Section 26, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, and
- Jicarilla "C" Well No. 8, located 1850 feet from the North line and 790 feet from the West line of Section 13, Township 26 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba 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 OTL CONSERVATION COMMISSION , Chạả r DAVID CARGO Member HAYS der PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

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