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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. 4111 Order No. R-3744

APPLICATION OF TENNECO OIL COMPANY FOR A DUAL COMPLETION AND SALT WATER DISPOSAL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on April 23, 1969, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this 28th day of April, 1969, 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 authority to complete its Morton Federal Well No. 1, located in Unit A of Section 12, Township 9 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Vada-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, as a dual completion to produce oil from the Vada-Pennsylvanian Pool through perforations from 9839 feet to 9861 feet and to dispose of produced salt water down the annulus between the 5 1/2-inch production casing string and the 8 5/8-inch intermediate casing string into the San Andres, Glorieta, Yeso, Abo, and possibly other formations in the openhole interval from approximately 4050 feet to 8120 feet.
- (3) That coupon corrosion tests should be conducted continuously on said well and the results thereof filed quarterly with the Commission until further notice from the Secretary-Director of the Commission.
- (4) That approval of the dual completion and salt water disposal as set out above will prevent the drilling of unnecessary

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wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Tenneco Oil Company, is hereby authorized to complete its Morton Federal Well No. 1, located in Unit A of Section 12, Township 9 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Vada-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, as a dual completion to produce oil from the Vada-Pennsylvanian Pool through perforations from 9839 feet to 9861 feet and to dispose of produced salt water down the annulus between the 5 1/2-inch production casing string and the 8 5/8-inch intermediate casing string into the San Andres, Glorieta, Yeso, Abo, and possibly other formations in the open-hole interval from approximately 4050 feet to 8120 feet;

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that coupon corrosion tests shall be conducted continuously on said well and the results thereof filed quarterly with the Commission until further notice from the Secretary-Director of the Commission;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that the applicant shall submit monthly reports of its disposal operations in accordance with Rules 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

(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

DAVID F. CARGO, Chairman

KLEX J ARMAO Member

SEAL

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

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