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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. 4343
Order No. R-3954

APPLICATION OF TEXACO INC.
FOR 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 29, 1970,
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this 4th day of May, 1970, 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, Texaco Inc., is the owner and
operator of the New Mexico "BB" State (NCT-1) Well No. 2, located
in Unit N of Section 11, Township 12 South, Range 32 East, NMPM,
East Caprock-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That the applicant proposes to utilize said well to
dispose of produced salt water into the Devonian formation, with
injection into the perforated and open-hole interval from approxi-
mately 11,194 feet to 11,278 feet.

(4) That the injection should be accomplished through
2 7/8-inch plastic-lined tubing installed in a packer set at
approximately 9000 feet; that the casing-tubing annulus should
be filled with an inert fluid; and that a pressure gauge should

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be attached to the annulus at the surface in order to determine leakage in the casing, tubing, or packer.

(5) That approval of the subject application will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells and otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Texaco Inc., is hereby authorized to utilize its New Mexico "BB" State (NCT-1) Well No. 2, located in Unit N of Section 11, Township 12 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, East Caprock-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to dispose of produced salt water into the Devonian formation, injection to be accomplished through 2 7/8-inch tubing installed in a packer set at approximately 9000 feet, with injection into the perforated and open-hole interval from approximately 11,194 feet to 11,278 feet;

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the tubing shall be plastic-lined; that the casing-tubing annulus shall be filled with an inert fluid; and that a pressure gauge shall be attached to the annulus at the surface in order to determine leakage in the casing, tubing, or packer.

(2) That the applicant shall submit monthly reports of its disposal operations in accordance with Rules 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

(3) 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

ALEX J. ARMISTO, Member

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

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