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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. 4344 Order No. R-3956

APPLICATION OF TEXACO INC. FOR SALT WATER DISPOSAL, CHAVES 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 5th 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 B. E. Spencer "B" Federal Well No. 1, located in Unit D of Section 28, Township 15 South, Range 30 East, NMPM, Little Lucky Lake-Devonian Pool, Chaves 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 open-hole interval from approximately 11,230 feet to 11,503 feet.
- (4) That the injection should be accomplished through 4 1/2-inch plastic-lined casing set at approximately 11,230 feet. That said casing should be cemented with sufficient cement and in such a manner as to ensure that the cement shall come back into the intermediate casing approximately 500 feet.

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(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 B. E. Spencer "B" Federal Well No. 1, located in Unit D of Section 28, Township 15 South, Range 30 East, NMPM, Little Lucky Lake-Devonian Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, to dispose of produced salt water into the Devonian formation, injection to be accomplished through 4 1/2-inch plastic-lined casing set at approximately 11,230 feet, with injection into the open-hole interval from approximately 11,230 feet to 11,503 feet;

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that said casing shall be cemented with sufficient cement and in such a manner as to ensure that the cement shall come back into the intermediate casing approximately 500 feet.

- (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

EX J. ARMIJO, Membe

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

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