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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. 4471 Order No. R-4078

APPLICATION OF H. L. BROWN, Jr., FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on December 2, 1970, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 8th day of December, 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, H. L. Brown, Jr., seeks authority to drill a gas well to the Morrow formation in an undesignated Morrow gas pool at an unorthodox gas well location 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line of Section 19, Township 19 South, Range 30 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico; that the E/2 of said Section 19 would be dedicated to said well.
- (3) That the applicant seeks to locate the above-described well at a location as far removed from the oil-potash area as is feasible in order to not interfere with operations on adjoining potash leases.
- (4) That the evidence indicates that the entire E/2 of said Section 19 is productive of gas from the Morrow formation.

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- (5) That the entire E/2 of said Section 19 can be efficiently and economically drained and developed by the subject well.
- (6) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce his just and equitable share of the gas in the subject undesignated Morrow 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 will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, H. L. Brown, Jr., is hereby granted an exception to the well location requirements of Rule 104 C II of the Commission Rules and Regulations and is hereby authorized to drill a gas well to the Morrow formation in an undesignated Morrow gas pool at an unorthodox gas well location 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line of Section 19, Township 19 South, Range 30 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a standard unit comprising the E/2 of said Section 19.
- (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

ALEX J. ARMIJO, Member

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

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