Entered Statumy 8, 1911-CC F R 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. 4652 Order No. R-4256

APPLICATION OF GULF OIL CORPORATION FOR A WATERFLOOD EXPANSION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

## BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 2, 1972, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this 8th day of February, 1972, 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:

- That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- That the applicant, Gulf Oil Corporation, seeks authority to expand its waterflood project in the Central Drinkard Unit Area, Drinkard Pool, by the injection of water into the Drinkard formation through 15 additional injection wells in Sections 28, 29, 31, 32, and 33, Township 21 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- That the wells in the project area are in an advanced state of depletion and should properly be classified as "stripper" wells.
- That the proposed expansion of the waterflood project should result in the recovery of otherwise unrecoverable oil, thereby preventing waste.

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(5) That the subject application should be approved and the expanded project should be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Gulf Oil Corporation, is hereby authorized to expand its waterflood project in the Central Drinkard Unit Area, Drinkard Pool, by the injection of water into the Drinkard formation through the following-described wells in Township 21 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico:

ard Unit Well No.	Unit	Section
	G	28
		29
	K	29
	M	29
	0	29
	A	31
	I	31
	A	32
	С	32
	E	32
	G	32
	I	32
	E	33
	G	33
	K	33
	ard Unit Well No.	G G K M O A I A C E G I E

- (2) That the expanded waterflood project shall be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.
- (3) That monthly progress reports of the expanded water-flood project herein authorized shall be submitted to the Commission in accordance with Rules 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.
- (4) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

RPACE KING Chairman

ALEX J. ARMIJO, Member

A I. POPTER Ir Member & Secretary

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