Entered August 7,1972

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. 4770 Order No. R-4356

APPLICATION OF AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY 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 July 26, 1972, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 7th day of August, 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:

- (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, Amoco Production Company, is the owner and operator of the Gorman Federal Well No. 1, located in Unit C of Section 35, Township 19 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, East Gem-Yates Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant proposes to utilize said well to dispose of produced salt water into the Yates and Seven Rivers formations, with injection into the open-hole interval from approximately 3484 feet to 3514 feet.
- (4) That the injection should be accomplished through 2 3/8-inch plastic-lined tubing installed in a packer set at approximately 3300 feet; that the casing-tubing annulus should be filled with an inert fluid; and that a pressure gauge should be attached to the annulus or the annulus left open 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.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Amoco Production Company, is hereby authorized to utilize its Gorman Federal Well No. 1, located in Unit C of Section 35, Township 19 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, East Gem-Yates Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to dispose of produced salt water into the Yates and Seven Rivers formations, injection to be accomplished through 2 3/8-inch tubing installed in a packer set at approximately 3300 feet, with injection into the open-hole interval from approximately 3484 feet to 3514 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 or the annulus left open 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

BRUGE KING. Chairman

MEX J. ARMAJO, Member

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

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