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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. 4827 Order No. R-4420

APPLICATION OF ROBERT N. ENFIELD FOR AN UNORTHODOX LOCATION, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

## BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on September 23, 1972, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 16th day of October, 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, Robert N. Enfield, seeks, as an exception to Rule 2 of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Pool, approval of an off-pattern unorthodox gas well location 990 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 11, Township 15 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the E/2 of said Section 11 is to be dedicated to the well.
- (4) That a well drilled at the proposed location should encounter the subject formation structurally higher than a well drilled at a standard location.
- (5) 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 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.

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## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, Robert N. Enfield, is hereby authorized to drill a gas well at an off-pattern unorthodox location 990 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 11, Township 15 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, as an exception to Rule 2 of the Special Rules and Regulations for said pool.
- (2) That the E/2 of said Section 11 is to be dedicated to the above-described well.
- (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

BRUCE KING, Chairman

ALEX J. AMIJO Member

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

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