Entered October 27, 1976

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. 5784 Order No. R-4625-A

APPLICATION OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD COMPANY FOR FOUR UNORTHODOX LOCATIONS AND SIMULTANEOUS DEDICATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on October 13, 1976, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this <u>27th</u> day of October, 1976, 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:

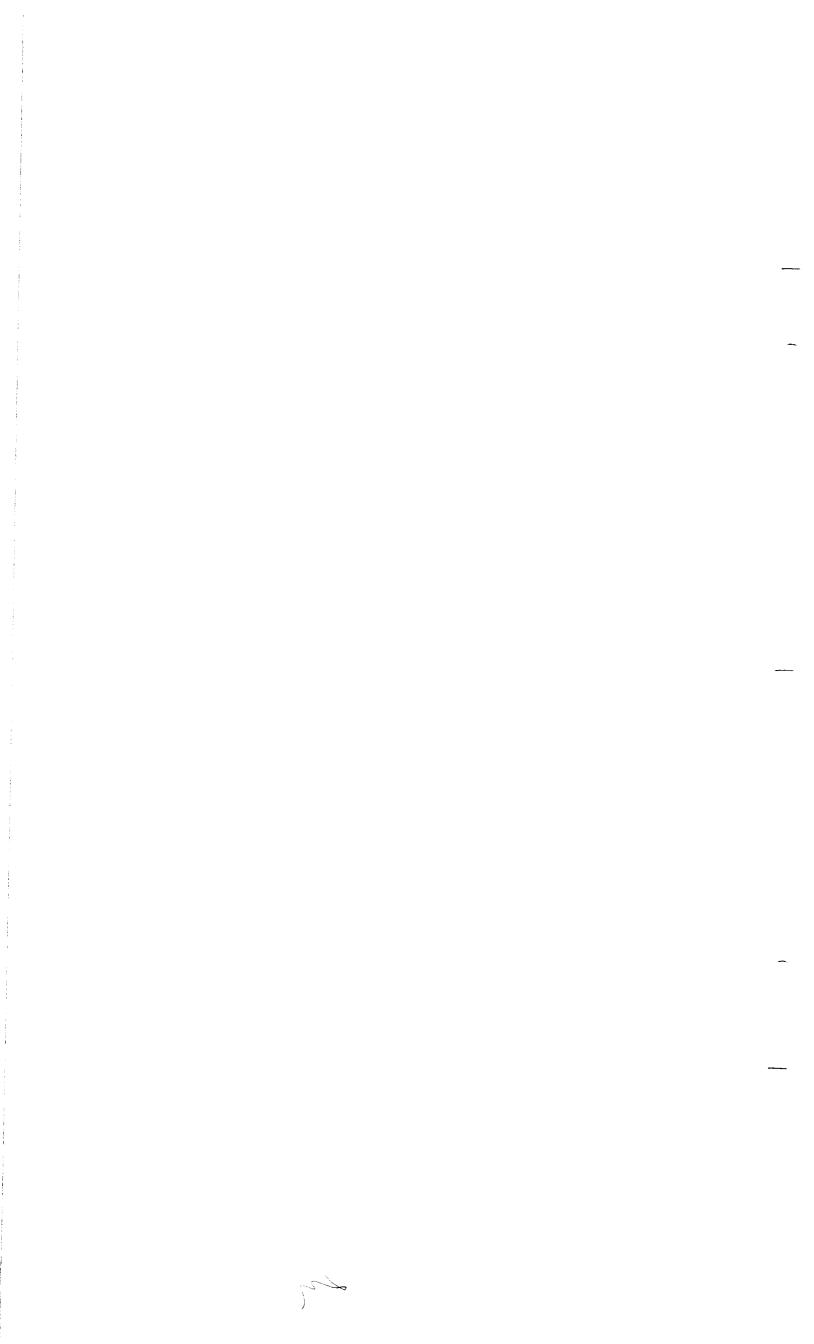
(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Atlantic Richfield Company, seeks authority to simultaneously dedicate a previously approved 320-acre Jalmat gas proration unit comprising the NW/4, SW/4 NE/4, E/2 NE/4, and NE/4 SE/4 of Section 35, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to its John P. Combest Wells Nos. 1Y, 2, 3, and 4 located at unorthodox locations in Units H, G, A, and E, respectively, of said Section 35.

(3) That wells at said unorthodox locations will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the proration unit.

(4) That no offset operator objected to the application.

(5) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its 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 Atlantic Richfield Company is hereby authorized to simultaneously dedicate a previously approved 320-acre Jalmat gas proration unit comprising the NW/4, SW/4 NE/4, E/2 NE/4, and NE/4 SE/4 of Section 35, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to its John P. Combest Wells Nos. 1Y, 2, 3, and 4 located at unorthodox locations in Units H, G, A, and E, respectively, of said Section 35.

(2) That the allowable assigned to the above-described gas proration unit shall be based upon the unit size of 320 acres and that the operator may produce the allowable assigned to the unit from the subject wells in any proportion.

(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

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