Entered april 20, 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. 5656 Order No. R-5197

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APPLICATION OF DAVID FASKEN FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION AND SIMULTANEOUS DEDICATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on March 31, 1976, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner, Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this <u>20th</u> day of April, 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.

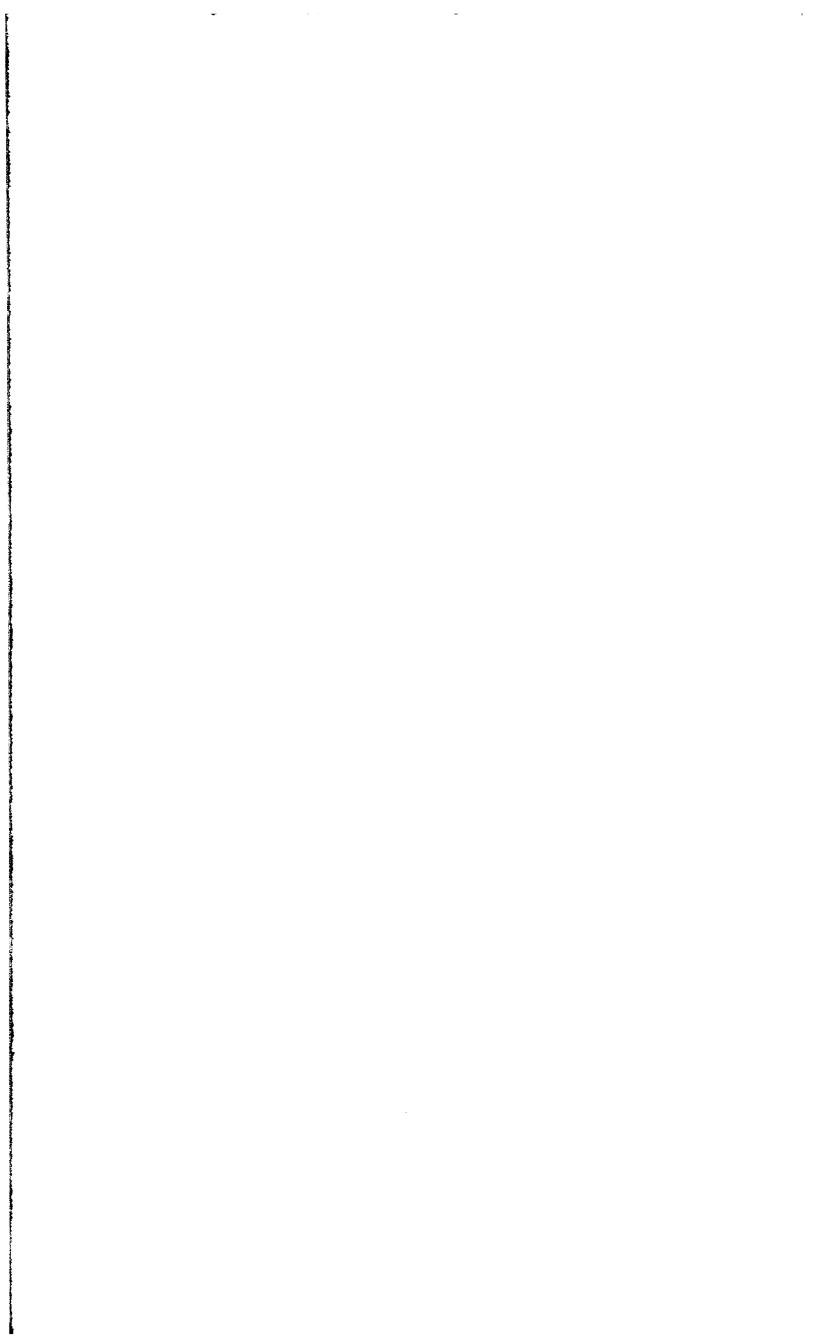
(2) That the applicant, David Fasken, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location of his Avalon Federal Com Well No. 2, 660 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 1, Township 21 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, to test the Morrow formation, Catclaw Draw-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(3) That applicant further seeks to simultaneously dedicate a previously approved 854-acre non-standard gas proration unit to said well and to applicant's Avalon Federal Com Well No. 1 located in Unit P of said Section 1.

(4) That all of said Section 1 is to be dedicated to the well.

(5) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the proration unit.

(6) That no offset operator appeared and presented testimony against the proposed unorthodox location.



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(7) 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 an unorthodox gas well location for the Morrow formation is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 660 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 1, Township 21 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, Catclaw Draw-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be simultaneously dedicated with applicant's Avalon Federal Com Well No. 1 located in Unit P of said Section 1 to a previously approved 854-acre non-standard gas proration unit consisting of all of said Section 1.

(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

PHIL R. LUCERO, Chairman

EMERY C. ARNOLD Member

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JOE D. RAMEY, Member & Secretary

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