Entered June 1, 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. 5687 Order No. R-5225

APPLICATION OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION 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 May 26, 1976, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 1st day of June, 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 approval to simultaneously dedicate a previously approved 160-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the SW/4 of Section 25, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to its J. M. Brownlee Well No. 4, located in Unit N of said Section 25 and to its Brownlee Well No. 1, at an unorthodox gas well location 2310 feet from the South line and 2310 feet from the West line of said Section 25.
- (3) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.
- (4) 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 applicant, Atlantic Richfield Company, is hereby given approval to simultaneously dedicate a previously approved 160-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the SW/4 of Section 25, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to its J. M. Brownlee Well No. 4, located in Unit N of said Section 25 and to its Brownlee Well No. 1, at an unorthodox gas well location 2310 feet from the South line and 2310 feet from the West line of said Section 25.
- (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 herein-above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PHIL R. LUCERO, Chairman

MERY C ARNOLD, Member

JOE D. RAMEY, Member & Secretary

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