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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. 5731
Order No. R-5272

APPLICATION OF TEXACO INC. FOR
DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, LEA COUNTY,
NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 18, 1976, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 31st day of August, 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, Texaco Inc., is the owner and operator of the C. H. Lockhart Federal Well No. 6 located in Unit G of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That said well is currently completed to produce from the Tubb and Drinkard Pools.
- (4) That from the Tubb and Drinkard zones, the subject well is capable of low rates of production only.
- (5) That the applicant proposes to recomplete said well in such a manner as to also produce from the Blinebry zone.
- (6) That from the Blinebry zone, the subject well is projected to be capable of low rates of production only.
- (7) That the applicant seeks authority to commingle Blinebry, Tubb and Drinkard production within the wellbore of the above-described well.
- (8) That the proposed commingling may result in the recovery of additional hydrocarbons from each of the subject pools, thereby preventing waste, and will not violate correlative rights.

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(9) That the reservoir characteristics of each of the subject zones are such that underground waste would not be caused by the proposed commingling provided that the well is not shut-in for an extended period.

(10) That to afford the Commission the opportunity to assess the potential for waste and to expeditiously order appropriate remedial action, the operator should notify the Hobbs district office of the Commission any time the subject well is shut-in for 7 consecutive days.

(11) That in order to allocate the commingled production to each of the commingled zones in the subject well, the operator, upon completion of the well, should consult with the supervisor of the Hobbs district office of the Commission to determine an allocation formula.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Texaco Inc., is hereby authorized to commingle Blinebry, Tubb, and Drinkard production within the wellbore of the C. H. Lockhart Federal Well No. 6, located in Unit G of Section 18, Township 22 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(2) That upon completion of said well to produce from the Blinebry, Tubb, and Drinkard formations, the applicant shall consult with the supervisor of the Hobbs district office of the Commission to determine the proper formula for allocation of oil and gas production to each zone open in the well.

(3) That the operator of the subject well shall immediately notify the Commission's Hobbs district office any time the well has been shut-in for 7 consecutive days and shall concurrently present, to the Commission, a plan for remedial action.

(4) 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


JOE D. RAMSEY, Member & Secretary

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