## BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CON-SIDERING:

> CASE NO. 617 Order No. R-535

THE AMENDED APPLICATION OF TEXAS PACIFIC COAL AND OIL COMPANY FOR AN ORDER GRANTING APPROVAL OF AN EXCEPTION PURSUANT TO RULE 7 (a) OF ORDER NO. R-368-A IN ESTABLISHMENT OF AN UNORTHODOX GAS PRORATION UNIT OF 120 CONTIGUOUS ACRES CONSISTING OF THE S/2 NW/4 OF SECTION 21 AND SE/4 NE/4 OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST, NMPM, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO IN WHAT IS NOW DELINEATED AS THE JALMAT GAS POOL UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER R-520.

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

## BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on December 17, 1953, and was successively continued to August 18, 1954, at which time it came on for final hearing at Santa Fe, New Mexico before the Oil Conservation Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission".

NOW, on this /4 day of October, 1954 the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the records and testimony adduced, and being fully advised in the premises;

## FINDS:

(1) That due notice of the time and place of hearing and the purpose thereof having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this case and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That pursuant to provisions of Rule 7 (a) of Order No. R-368-A, and Order R-520, the Commission has power and authority to permit the formation of a gas proration unit consisting of other than a legal quarte: section after notice and hearing by the Commission.

(3) That applicant, Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company, is the owner of an oil and gas lease in Lea County, New Mexico, the land consisting of other than a legal quarter section, and described as follows, to-wit:

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containing 120 acres, more or less.

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(4) That applicant, Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company, has two producing wells on the aforesaid lease:. State A, a/c-l, No. 3, located in the SW/4 NW/4 of Section 21, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, and State A, a/c-l, No. 6 located in the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 21, Township 23 South, Range 36 East.

(5) (a) That the aforesaid wells were completed and in production prior to January 1, 1954, the effective date of Order No. R-368-A, and are located within the limits of the pool heretofore delineated and designated as the Jalmat Gas Pool.

(b) That the Jalmat Gas Pool should be extended to include the E/2 NE/4 of Section 20, Township 23 South, Range 36 East.

(6) That it is impractical to pool applicant's said lease with adjoining acreage in Sections 20 and 21 and that the owners of adjoining acreage in said sections have not objected to the formation of the proposed proration unit of 120 acres.

(7) That unless a proration unit consisting of applicant's aforesaid acreage is permitted, applicant will be deprived of the opportunity to recover its just and equitable share of the natural gas in the Jalmat Gas Pool.

(8) That creation of a proration unit consisting of the aforesaid acreage will not cause but will prevent waste, and will protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the application of Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company for approval of an unorthodox proration unit consisting of the following described acreage

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be and the same is hereby approved, and a proration unit consisting of aforesaid acreage is hereby created.

(2) That applicant's wells, State A, a/c-1, No. 3 located in the SW/4 NW/4 and State A, a/c-1, No. 6, located in the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 21, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, NMPM shall be granted a total combined allowable from January 1, 1954, in the proportion that the above described 120 acre unit bears to the standard or orthodox proration unit for said pool, all until further order of the Commission.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO CONSERVATION COMMISSION MECHEM, Chairman KER, Member W.B. Maren W. B. MACEY, Member and Secretary

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