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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. 5854 Order No. R-5367

APPLICATION OF PALMER OIL AND GAS COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX LOCATION, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 2, 1977, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 8th day of February, 1977, 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, Palmer Oil and Gas Company, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location for its Stevenson Well No. 2 to be drilled at a point 1850 feet from the North line and 1150 feet from the West line of Section 8, Township 26 North, Range 2 West, NMPM, Blanco-Mesaverde Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the N/2 of said Section 8 is to be dedicated to the well.
- (4) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the proration
- (5) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.

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(6) 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.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That an unorthodox gas well location for the Palmer Oil and Gas Company Stevenson Well No. 2 is hereby approved, said well to be located at a point 1850 feet from the North line and 1150 feet from the West line of Section 8, Township 26 North, Range 2 West, NMPM, Blanco-Mesaverde Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (2) That the N/2 of said Section 8 shall be dedicated to the above-described well.
- (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

PHIL R. LUCERO, Chairman

EMERY ARNOLD, Momber

OE D. RAMEY, Member & Secretary

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