Entered March 15, 1977

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. 5868 Order No. R-5381

APPLICATION OF HARVEY E. YATES COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 16, 1977, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 15th day of March, 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, Harvey E. Yates Company, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location for its Travis Deep Unit Well No. 1 to be drilled 1980 feet from the South line and 1684 feet from the West line of Section 18, Township 18 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, to test Wolfcamp and Pennsylvanian formations, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(3) That the S/2 of said Section 18 is to be dedicated to the well.

(4) That said unorthodox location is necessitated due to a variation in the Public Land Survey.

(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 Wolfcamp and Pennsylvanian formations is hereby approved for the Harvey E. Yates Company Travis Deep Unit Well No. 1 to be drilled at a point 1980 feet from the South line and 1684 feet from the West line of Section 18, Township 18 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(2) That the S/2 of said Section 18 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 inul EMERY ARNOLD mber l **ј**ое 'б. RAMEY Member & Secretary

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