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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. 6081 Order No. R-5580

APPLICATION OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD COMPANY FOR DIRECTIONAL DRILLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

# BY THE COMMISSION:

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

NOW, on this 22nd day of November, 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, Atlantic Richfield Company, seeks approval for the directional drilling of its Lanehart 22 Well No. 1 from a surface location 660 feet from the North and West lines of Section 22, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, to a bottom hole location within 50 feet of a point 330 feet from the North and West lines of said Section 22, Langlie-Mattix Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant seeks authority to directionally drill said well to permit the surface location to be more distant from the glide path to a runway at the Jal Municipal Airport.
- (4) That the applicant should be required to determine the subsurface location of the bottom of the hole by means of a continuous multi-shot directional survey conducted subsequent to said directional drilling, if said well is to be completed as a producing well.

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## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Atlantic Richfield Company, is hereby authorized to directionally drill its Lanehart 22 Well No. 1 from a surface location 660 feet from the North and West lines of Section 22, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Langlie-Mattix Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to a bottom hole location within 50 feet of a point 330 feet from the North and West lines of said Section 22.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that subsequent to the above-described directional drilling, should said well be a producer, a continuous multi-shot directional survey shall be made of the wellbore from total depth to the surface with shot points not more than 100 feet apart; that the operator shall cause the surveying company to forward a copy of the survey report directly to the Santa Fe office of the Commission, Box 2088, Santa Fe, New Mexico, and that the operator shall notify the Commission's Hobbs District Office of the date and time said survey is to be commenced.

- (2) That Form C-105 shall be filed in accordance with Commission Rule 1105 and the operator shall indicate thereon true vertical depths in addition to measured depths.
- (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 herein-above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PHIL R. LUCERO, Chairman

EMERY CARNOLD Member

JOE D. RAMEY, Member & Secretary

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