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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING  
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION  
DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 6426  
Order No. R-5919

APPLICATION OF C. W. TRAINER FOR AN  
UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, LEA  
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on January 31, 1979, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 20th day of February, 1979, the Division Director, 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 Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, C. W. Trainer, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location 660 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 24, Township 20 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, to test the Morrow formation, South Salt Lake-Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That the N/2 of said Section 24 is to be dedicated to the well.

(4) That said unorthodox location is necessary to avoid the undue waste of potash resources which would result from the drilling of the well at a standard location.

(5) That no offset operator nor any potash 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, will prevent the waste of potash, and otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That an unorthodox gas well location for the Morrow formation is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 660 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 24, Township 20 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, South Salt Lake-Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

(2) That the N/2 of said Section 24 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 Division may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

  
JOE D. RAMEY  
Director

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