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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. 6468 Order No. R-5964

APPLICATION OF DOME PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR AN EXCEPTION TO ORDER NO. R-1069, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE DIVISION

## BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 28, 1979, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 30th day of March, 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, Dome Petroleum Corporation, seeks an exception to Rule 2 of Order No. R-1069, as amended, for the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool to approve the following 13 non-standard proration units:

The W/2 NW/4, W/2 NE/4, E/2 SW/4, and the E/2 SE/4 of Sections 3, 4, and 9, and the W/2 NW/4 of Section 10, Township 26 North, Range 14 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

- (3) That all the aforesaid non-standard proration units may reasonably be presumed productive of oil from the Lower Gallup formation.
- (4) That approval of the above-described proration units will render impossible the establishment of normal N/2-S/2 proration units on the remaining lands in said Sections 3, 4, and 9 and the W/2 of 10.

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(5) That approval of the subject application and the requested 13 non-standard proration units, as well as 15 additional non-standard proration units, comprising the E/2 NE/4, E/2 NW/4, W/2 SW/4, and W/2 SE/4 of Sections 3, 4, and 9, and the E/2 NW/4 and W/2 and E/2 SW/4 of Section 10, Township 26 North, Range 14 West, NMPM, will afford the applicant and other owners within the above described lands the opportunity to produce their just and equitable share of the oil in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil 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 all wells projected to or completed in the Bisti-Lower Gallup Oil Pool in Sections 3, 4, and 9 and the W/2 of Section 10, all in Township 26 North, Range 14 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, shall be located on a unit containing 80 acres, more or less, which consists of either the East half or West half of a single governmental quarter section.
- (2) 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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