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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. 8037 Order No. R-6275-B

APPLICATION OF BASS ENTERPRISES PRODUCTION CO. FOR AMENDMENT OF DIVISION ORDER R-6275-A, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8 a.m. on January 4, 1984, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this <u>loth</u> day of January, 1984, 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 Division Order No. R-6275-A entered June 27, 1980, authorized Texaco Inc. to drill its Loomis Federal Well No. 1 at an unorthodox gas well location at a point 1600 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 5, Township 21 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, South Salt Lake-Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, and to dedicate the N/2 of said Section 5 to said well.
- (3) That Bass Enterprises Production Company, as successor to Texaco, drilled its C. A. Loomis Federal well to the Morrow formation at said location.
- (4) That said well is now depleted in the Morrow formation and has been recompleted as an Atoka formation gas well.

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- (5) That the applicant, Bass Enterprises Production Co., now seeks approval of the unorthodox location of said well in the Atoka formation, South Salt Lake-Atoka Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (6) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.
- (7) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the gas in the affected pool(s), 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 the application of Bass Enterprises Production Co. for an unorthodox gas well location for the Atoka formation is hereby approved for its C. A. Loomis Federal Well No. 1 located at a point 1600 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 5, Township 21 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, South Salt Lake-Atoka Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (2) That the N/2 of said Section 5 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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