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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. 6873  
Order No. R-6341

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

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on April 23, 1980, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 13th day of May, 1980, 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, Harvey E. Yates Company, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location for its North Travis 12 Deep Well No. 1 to be drilled 660 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 12, Township 18 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, to test the Wolfcamp and Pennsylvanian formations, Travis Field, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(3) That as a gas well in the Wolfcamp or Lower Pennsylvanian formation, the S/2 of said Section 12 is to be dedicated to the well.

(4) That said North Travis 12 Deep Well No. 1 is to be drilled as a development well at a standard oil well location in the Travis-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool.

(5) That approval of the application will permit the applicant to produce any gas zones encountered in the Wolfcamp or other Pennsylvanian zones without the drilling of a second (unnecessary) well.

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(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 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 the Wolfcamp and Pennsylvanian formations is hereby approved for the Harvey E. Yates Company North Travis 12 Deep Well No. 1 to be drilled at a point 660 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 12, Township 18 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Travis Field, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(2) That as a gas well in the Wolfcamp or Lower Pennsylvanian formation, the S/2 of said Section 12 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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