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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. 6999  
Order No. R-6458

APPLICATION OF GULF OIL CORPORATION  
FOR AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION AND  
SIMULTANEOUS DEDICATION, LEA COUNTY,  
NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 20, 1980, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 10th day of September, 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, Gulf Oil Corporation, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location for its Harry Leonard NCT-C Well No. 8 located 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 36, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That the applicant further seeks to simultaneously dedicate a previously approved 320-acre non-standard gas proration unit consisting of the N/2 of said Section 36 to the above-described well and to its Harry Leonard NCT-C Well No. 9 located in Unit B of said Section 36.

(4) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the proration unit.

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(5) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location and simultaneous dedication.

(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, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Gulf Oil Corporation is hereby authorized to drill its Harry Leonard NCT-C Well No. 8 at an unorthodox location 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 36, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

(2) That the N/2 of said Section 36 shall be simultaneously dedicated to the above-described well and to applicant's Harry Leonard NCT-C Well No. 9 located in Unit B of said Section 36.

(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 herein-above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

  
JOE D. RAMEY  
Director

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