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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. 7187 Order No. R-6635

APPLICATION OF BLACKWOOD & NICHOLS CO., LTD. FOR FOUR NON-STANDARD PRORATION UNITS, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

# ORDER OF THE DIVISION

## BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on March 11, 1981, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this  $7 \pm h$  day of April, 1981, 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, Blackwood & Nichols Co., Ltd., seeks approval of the following four Fruitland and Pictured Cliffs non-standard gas proration units:
  - a 185.68-acre unit comprising the SW/4 of Section 1, Township 31 North, Range 7 West; a 181.4-acre unit comprising the SE/4 of said Section 1; a 176.68-acre unit comprising the SW/4 of Section 6, Township 31 North, Range 6 West; and a 175.21-acre unit comprising the SE/4 of said Section 6, all of said units to be dedicated to wells to be drilled at standard locations thereon.
- (3) That the entire non-standard proration units may reasonably be presumed productive of gas from the Fruitland and Pictured Cliffs formations and that each non-standard gas

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proration unit can be efficiently and economically drained and developed by the aforesaid wells.

(4) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce his just and equitable share of the gas in the Fruitland and Pictured Cliffs formations under each of the proposed non-standard proration units, 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 four Fruitland and Pictured Cliffs non-standard gas proration units in San Juan County, New Mexico, are hereby established and dedicated for the applicant, Blackwood & Nichols Co., Ltd., as follows:

a 185.68-acre unit comprising the SW/4 of Section 1, Township 31 North, Range 7 West; a 181.4-acre unit comprising the SE/4 of said Section 1; a 176.68-acre unit comprising the SW/4 of Section 6, Township 31 North, Range 6 West; and a 175.21-acre unit comprising the SE/4 of said Section 6, all of said units to be dedicated to wells to be drilled at standard locations thereon.

(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{DONE}}$  at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

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