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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. 7233 Order No. R-6675

APPLICATION OF BASS ENTERPRISES PRODUCTION CO. FOR DIRECTIONAL DRILLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

### ORDER OF THE DIVISION

### BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on April 22, 1981, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 30th 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, Bass Enterprises Production Co., seeks authority to directionally drill its Montieth "B" Well No. 1, formerly known as its Montieth Well No. 3, the surface location of which is 2130 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line of Section 13, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool, and drill said well in an easterly direction to bottom it not closer than 510 feet to the outer boundary of the dedicated unit, being the N/2 SE/4 of said Section 13.
- (3) That the directional drilling of the above-described well would be accomplished by plugging said well back from its original total depth of 11,428 feet to a plugged back depth of 6991 feet, setting a whipstock and then directionally drilling in an easterly direction, bottoming said well at an approximate depth of 11,500 within 150 feet of a point 150 feet south and 1300 feet east of the surface location.

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(4) That the applicant should be required to determine the subsurface location of the bottom of the hole by means of a continuous multi-shot directional survey conducted subsequent to said directional drilling, if said well is to be completed as a producing well.

# IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Bass Enterprises Production Co., is hereby authorized to directionally drill its Montieth "B" Well No. 1, the surface location of which is 2130 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line of Section 13, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool, and drill said well in an easterly direction to bottom it not closer than 510 feet to the outer boundary of the dedicated unit, being the N/2 SE/4 of said Section 13.

 $\underline{\text{PROVIDED HOWEVER}},$  that subsequent to the above-described directional drilling, should said well be a producer, a continuous multi-shot directional survey shall be made of the wellbore from total depth to the kick-off point with shot points not more than 100 feet apart; that the operator shall cause the surveying company to forward a copy of the survey report directly to the Santa Fe office of the Division, P. O. Box 2088, Santa Fe, New Mexico, and that the operator shall notify the Division's Hobbs District Office of the date and time said survey is to be commenced.

- That Form C-105 shall be filed in accordance with Division Rule 1105 and the operator shall indicate thereon true vertical depth in addition to measured depths.
- 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. RÁMEY

Director

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