Entered November 18, 1981

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. 7404 Order No. R-6818

APPLICATION OF TXO PRODUCTION CORPORATION FOR AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on November 4, 1981, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>18th</u> day of November, 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, TXO Production Corporation, seeks approval of an unorthodox infill gas well location 2000 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 18, Township 21 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, to test the Morrow formation, Catclaw Draw-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (3) That all of said Section 18 is to be simultaneously dedicated to said well and to applicant's Catclaw Draw State Well No. 1 located in Unit M of said Section 18.
- (4) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the proration unit.
- (5) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.

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(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 an unorthodox infill gas well location for the Morrow formation is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 2000 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 18, Township 21 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Catclaw Draw-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (2) That all of said Section 18 shall be dedicated to the above-described well simultaneously with applicant's Catclaw Draw State Well No. 1 located in Unit M of said Section 18.
- (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.

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JOE D. RAMEY

Director

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