Entered January 12, 1782.

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. 7461 Order No. R-6885

APPLICATION OF WAINOCO OIL & GAS COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on January 6, 1982, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 12th day of January, 1982, 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, Wainoco Oil & Gas Company, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location 660 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 18, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico said location being 179.3 feet west of the center of Lot 4 whereas the pool rules specify that well be drilled within 150 feet of the center of the lot.
- (3) That Lots 3 and 4 of said Section 18 are to be dedicated to the well.
- (4) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.
- (5) 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

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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 the application of Wainoco Oil & Gas Company for an unorthodox oil well location is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 660 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 18, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (2) That Lots 3 and 4 of said Section 18 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
OLL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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