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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

CASE NO. 7536
Order No. R-6952

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION ON ITS OWN MOTION TO PERMIT A. H. BERNSTEIN AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY THE ALLAN WELL NO. 1 LOCATED IN THE NW/4 OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, SAN JUAN COUNTY, SHOULD NOT BE RE-ENTERED AND PLUGGED AND ABANDONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A DIVISION-APPROVED PLUGGING PROGRAM.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on April 14, 1982, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 28th day of April, 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 A. H. Bernstein is the owner and operator of the Allan Well No. 1, located in the NW/4 of Section 23, Township 29 North, Range 3 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

(3) That said Allan Well No. 1 was inadequately plugged and abandoned in 1956 and may have been leaking natural gas to the surface.

(4) That in order to prevent waste and to protect neighboring properties, the Division took emergency action to re-enter and re-plug said well.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the emergency re-entry and re-plugging of the A. H. Bernstein Allan Well No. 1, located in the NW/4 of Section 23, Township 29 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, completed during April, 1982, by the Division, was necessary to prevent waste and for the protection of neighboring properties and is hereby approved.

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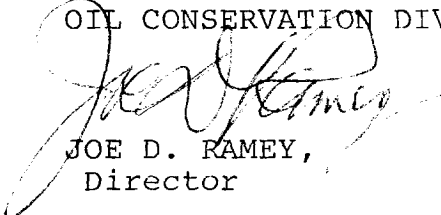
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(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

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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