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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. 7549 Order No. R-6960

APPLICATION OF H. L. BROWN FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## 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 <u>28th</u> 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 the applicant, H. L. Brown, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location resulting from an existing well located 609 feet from the South line and 1665 feet from the East line of Section 32, Township 15 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, which is to be deepened to test the Pennsylvanian formation, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That the S/2 of said Section 32 is to be dedicated to the well.

(4) That no offset operator objected to the proposed deepening of the above-described well at this 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 -2-Case No. 7549 Order No. R-6960

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 H. L. Brown for the deepening of an existing well at an unorthodox gas well location for the Pennsylvanian formation is hereby approved, said well being located at a point 609 feet from the South line and 1665 feet from the East line of Section 32, Township 15 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(2) That the S/2 of said Section 32 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 OTL CONSERVATION DIVISION Ance JOE D. RAMEY, Director

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