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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. 7705 Order No. R-7116

APPLICATION OF JOHNSON AND PRICE 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 October 27, 1982, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this $28 \, \text{th}$ day of October, 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, Johnson and Price, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location 1500 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the East line of Section 22, Township 15 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, to test the Devonian formation, Medicine Rock-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the W/2 NE/4 of said Section 22 is to be dedicated to the well.
- (4) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the oil and gas underlying the proration unit.
- (5) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.
- (6) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable

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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 the application of Johnson and Price for an unorthodox oil well location for the Devonian formation is hereby approved for a well being drilled at a point 1500 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the East line of Section 22, Township 15 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Medicine Rock-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- That the W/2 NE/4 of said Section 22 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 $\frac{1}{2}$ necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

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JOE D. RAMEY

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