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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. 7717 Order No. R-7135

APPLICATION OF AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE DIVISION

## BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on November 10, 1982, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>30th</u> day of November, 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, Amoco Production Company, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 8, Township 19 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, to test the Bone Springs formation, Scharb-Bone Springs Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That the S/2 NE/4 of said Section 8 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.

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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 the application of Amoco Production Company for an unorthodox oil well location for the Bone Springs formation is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 8, Township 19 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Scharb-Bone Springs Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

(2) That the S/2 NE/4 of said Section 8 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 OFL CONSERVATION DIVISION amer JOE D. RAMEY Director

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