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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. 8089 Order No. R-7466

APPLICATION OF PENNZOIL COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8 a.m. on February 29, 1984, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this 7th day of March, 1984, 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, Pennzoil Company, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location 1330 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 16, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, to test the Strawn formation, Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the W/2 NE/4 of said Section 16 is to be dedicated to the well.
- (4) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the oil 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 oil in the affected 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 Pennzoil Company for an unorthodox oil well location to test the Strawn formation is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 1330 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 16, Township 16 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (2) That the W/2 NE/4 of said Section 16 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.

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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