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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. 8263 Order No. R-7628

APPLICATION OF SHELL WESTERN E & P INC. FOR UNORTHODOX LOCATIONS, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

### ORDER OF THE DIVISION

### BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8 a.m. on July 11, 1984, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this <u>loth</u> day of August, 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 Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, by its Order No. R-6198 dated November 30, 1979, approved statutory unitization for the North Hobbs Grayburg-San Andres Unit Area, Hobbs Grayburg-San Andres Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, and, by its Order No. R-6199 dated November 30, 1979, authorized institution of the North Hobbs Grayburg-San Andres Unit Pressure Maintenance Project in the North Hobbs Grayburg-San Andres Unit Area.
- (3) That the applicant herein, Shell Western E & P Inc., seeks authority to drill 35 North Hobbs Grayburg-San Andres Unit wells at the unorthodox locations described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto.
- (4) That the unorthodox locations are necessary to permit the completion of an efficient production and injection pattern within the North Hobbs Grayburg-San Andres

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Unit Pressure Maintenance Project and will result in the recovery of otherwise unrecoverable oil and gas, thereby preventing waste.

- (5) That the quarter-quarter section wherein each of said wells is drilled should be dedicated to such well.
- (6) That approval of the application in this cause will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce without waste its just and equitable share of the oil and gas in the Hobbs Grayburg-San Andres Pool, thereby protecting correlative rights.

### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, Shell Western E & P Inc., is hereby authorized to drill each of the wells listed on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and by reference herein incorporated, in its North Hobbs Grayburg-San Andres Unit at the location described in Exhibit "A", Lea County, New Mexico.
- (2) That the quarter-quarter section wherein each of said wells is drilled shall be dedicated to such 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.

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# NORTH HOBBS GRAYBURG-SAN ANDRES UNIT AREA PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT

### HOBBS GRAYBURG-SAN ANDRES POOL LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

## Unorthodox Locations

### TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM

| Section No. | Unit<br>Well No. | Unit<br><u>Letter</u> | Well Location |     |   |               |                |  |
|-------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------------|-----|---|---------------|----------------|--|
| 13          | 342              | Ο                     | 1200'         | FSL | & | 2500 <b>'</b> | FEL            |  |
| 13          | 442              | P                     | 1200'         | FSL | & | 220 <b>'</b>  | $\mathtt{FEL}$ |  |
| 24          | 212              | С                     | 1280'         | FNL | & | 2620 <b>'</b> | FWL            |  |
| 24          | 312              | В                     | 10'           | FNL | & | 2630 <b>'</b> | FEL            |  |
| 24          | 342              | Ο                     | 145'          | FSL | & | 1435'         | FEL            |  |
| 24          | 414              | A                     | 10'           | FNL | & | 1280'         | FEL            |  |
| 24          | 432              | I                     | 2480'         | FSL | & | 1280'         | ${	t FEL}$     |  |
| 24          | 442              | P                     | 1260'         | FSL | & | 200'          | FEL            |  |

## TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 38 EAST, NMPM

| Section No. | Unit<br>Well No. | Unit<br><u>Letter</u> | M             | lell_ | Lc | cation        | <u>1</u>   |
|-------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------------|-------|----|---------------|------------|
| 19          | 212              | С                     | 160'          | FNL   | &  | 1460'         | FWL        |
| 19          | 232              | K                     | 2795'         | FNL   | &  | 1390'         | FWL        |
| 19          | 332              | J                     | 1430'         | FSL   | &  | 2535 <b>'</b> | FEL        |
| 19          | 442              | P                     | 1100'         | FSL   | &  | 380 <b>'</b>  | FEL        |
| 20          | 132              | L                     | 2490'         | FSL   | &  | 180'          | FWL        |
| 28          | 122              | $\mathbf{E}$          | 1592 <b>'</b> | FNL   | &  | 200'          | FWL        |
| 29          | 122              | ${f E}$               | 1600'         | FNL   | &  | 180'          | FWL        |
| 29          | 322              | G                     | 1430'         | FNL   | &  | 2350 <b>'</b> | FEL        |
| 29          | 323              | G                     | 2540 <b>'</b> | FNL   | &  | 2500 <b>'</b> | FEL        |
| 29          | 442              | P                     | 1230'         | FSL   | &  | 170'          | FEL        |
| 30          | 112              | D                     | 200'          | FNL   | &  | 1310'         | FWL        |
| 30          | 113              | D                     | 1310'         | FNL   | &  | 195 <b>'</b>  | FWL        |
| 30          | 233              | K                     | 2455 <b>'</b> | FSL   | &  | 1480'         | FWL        |
| 30          | 242              | N                     | 200'          | FSL   | &  | 1400'         | ${	t FWL}$ |
| 30          | 332              | J                     | 2470'         | FSL   | &  | 1600'         | FEL        |
| 30          | 432              | I                     | 2260'         | FSL   | &  | 180'          | FEL        |
| 30          | 444              | P                     | 215'          | FSL   | &  | 1255'         | FEL        |
| 31          | 422              | H                     | 2259'         | FNL   | &  | 600 <b>'</b>  | FEL        |
| 32          | 143              | M                     | 1185'         | FSL   | &  | 300 <b>'</b>  | FWL        |
| 32          | 223              | F                     | 2630 <b>'</b> | FNL   | &  | 1410'         | FWL        |
| 32          | 312              | В                     | 210'          | FNL   | &  | 1400'         | FEL        |
| 32          | 332              | J                     | 1550 <b>'</b> | FSL   | &  | 2350'         | FEL        |
| 32          | 422              | H                     | 1385'         | FNL   | &  | 110'          | FEL        |
| 32          | 423              | Н                     | 2540'         | FNL   | &  | 1280'         | FEL        |
| 33          | 212              | С                     | 205'          | FNL   | &  | 1420'         | FWL        |
| 33          | 242              | N                     | 1280'         | FSL   | &  | 2530 <b>'</b> | FWL        |
| 33          | 323              | G                     | 2495 <b>'</b> | FNL   | &  | 1420'         | FEL        |

EXHIBIT "A"
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