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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. 8256 Order No. R-7657

APPLICATION OF GETTY OIL COMPANY FOR SURFACE COMMINGLING, RIO ARRIBA 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 and on August 22, 1984, before Examiner Michael A. Stogner.

NOW, on this 30th 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 applicant, Getty Oil Company, is the owner and operator of the Jicarilla "B" and Jicarilla "C" Leases in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, which leases consist of the following described area:

JICARILLA "B" LEASE

TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, NMPM Sections 5 and ϵ : All

TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, NMPM Sections 31 and 32: All

JICARTLLA "C" LEASE

TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, NMPM Sections 21 and 22: S/2 Sections 27 and 28: All Sections 33 and 34: S/2

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- (3) That the applicant operates several wells on these leases which have previously been authorized for surface commingling in the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations and for downhole commingling of the Gallup and Dakota formations and the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations.
- (4) That the applicant now seeks authority to commingle, at the surface, gas produced from the Chacra, Pictured Cliffs, Gallup, and Dakota formations from wells on said leases.
- (5) That the ownership under said leases is common throughout.
- (6) That said commingling will improve the efficiency of operation of said leases and may result in production of additional gas.
- (7) That the gas production from each gas well should be separately metered prior to commingling.
- (8) That the casinghead gas production from either lease, whether or not such gas is from oil pools authorized to be commingled, should be metered by the lease and the gas production allocated to the well by means of periodic well tests.
 - (9) That the application should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Getty Oil Company, is hereby authorized to commingle, at the surface, gas produced from the Chacra, Pictured Cliffs, Gallup, and Dakota formations from wells on its Jicarilla "B" and Jicarilla "C" leases as described in Finding No. (2) of this Order.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the gas from each gas well shall be metered prior to commingling.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that the casinghead gas production from either lease, whether or not such gas is from oil pools authorized to be commingled, shall be metered by the lease and the gas production allocated to the well by means of periodic well tests.

(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

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

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JOE D. RAMEY,
Director

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