### 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. 8391 Order No. R-7718

APPLICATION OF STEVENS OPERATING CORPORATION FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE DIVISION

#### BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8 a.m. on October 31, 1984, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this 7th day of November, 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, Stevens Operating Corporation, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location 2310 feet from the South line and 1760 feet from the East line (Unit J) of Section 19, Township 8 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, to test the Fusselman formation, Chaves County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the S/2 of said Section 19 is to be dedicated to the well.
- (4) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the 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 affected formation, 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 Stevens Operating Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location for the Fusselman formation is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 2310 feet from the South line and 1760 feet from the East line (Unit J) of Section 19, Township 8 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico.
- (2) That the S/2 of said Section 19 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.

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