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. 8465 Order No. R-7805

APPLICATION OF BISON PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATION, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8 a.m. on January 30, 1985, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this <u>lst</u> day of February, 1985, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS THAT:

(1) Due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) The applicant, Bison Petroleum Corporation, seeks approval of an unorthodox oil well location 1980 feet from the North line and 1200 feet from the West line of Section 34, Township 13 South, Range 30 East, NMPM, to test the Queen formation, Southeast Chaves-Queen Gas Area Associated Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico.

(3) The SW/4 NW/4 (Unit E) of said Section 34 is to be dedicated to the well.

(4) A well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the oil underlying the proration unit.

(5) No offset operator objected to the proposed unor-thodox location.

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(6) Approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable 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 THAT:

(1) The application of Bison Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox oil well location for the Queen formation is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 1980 feet from the North line and 1200 feet from the West line of Section 34, Township 13 South, Range 30 East, NMPM, Southeast Chaves-Queen Gas Area Associated Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico.

(2) The SW/4 NW/4 (Unit E) of said Section 34 shall be dedicated to the above-described well.

(3) 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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