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. 8590 Order No. R-7919

APPLICATION OF EARLE M. CRAIG, JR. CORPORATION FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8 a.m. on May 8, 1985, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Gilbert P. Quintana.

NOW, on this 15th day of May, 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, Earle M. Craig, Jr. Corporation, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location 1970 feet from the North line and 670 feet from the East line of Section 19, Township 26 South, Range 31 East, NMPM, to test the Wolfcamp formation, Phantom Draw-Wolfcamp Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (3) The N/2 of said Section 19 is to be dedicated to the well.
- (4) Geologic conditions are such that a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the proration unit.
- (5) No offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.
- (6) Approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable

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share of the gas 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) An unorthodox gas well location for the Wolfcamp formation is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 1970 feet from the North line and 670 feet from the East line of Section 19, Township 26 South, Range 31 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (2) The N/2 of said Section 19 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.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

R. L. STAMETS,

Director

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