

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. 8601  
Order No. R-7956

APPLICATION OF READ & STEVENS, INC.  
FOR THREE UNORTHODOX GAS WELL  
LOCATIONS, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8 a.m. on May 22, 1985, and on June 5, 1985, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiners Michael E. Stogner and Gilbert P. Quintana, respectively.

NOW, on this 14th day of June, 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, Read & Stevens, Inc., seeks approval of three unorthodox gas well locations in the Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool at the following locations all within Township 15 South, Range 27 East:

Langley Federal Com Well No. 4  
1570' FNL - 1780' FEL  
Section 14, N/2 dedication;

Langley Federal Com Well No. 3  
1190' FSL - 2310' FEL  
Section 14, S/2 dedication;

Toles Federal Well No. 2  
1980' FSL - 990' FWL  
Section 24, S/2 dedication.

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(3) Said unorthodox locations will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying said wells' respective proration units.

(5) No offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox locations.

(6) Approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the gas in the Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas 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 Read & Stevens, Inc. for three unorthodox gas well locations for the Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool is hereby approved for three wells to be located at the following locations, all within Township 15 South, Range 27 East:

Langley Federal Com Well No. 4  
1570' FNL - 1780' FEL  
Section 14, N/2 dedication;


Langley Federal Com Well No. 3  
1190' FSL - 2310' FEL  
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(2) 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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R. L. STAMETS,  
Director

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