### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 9414 Order No. R-8689

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APPLICATION OF HANSON OPERATING COMPANY, INC. FOR AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATION, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

# ORDER OF THE DIVISION

#### BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on June 22, 1988, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this <u>29th</u> day of June, 1988, 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, Hanson Operating Company, Inc., seeks an exception to Rule 3 of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Allison-Pennsylvanian Pool, as promulgated by Division Order No. R-1389-B, by approval of an unorthodox oil well location 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit O) of Section 17, Township 8 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Allison-Pennsylvanian Pool, Roosevelt County, New Mexico.

(3) The W/2 SE/4 of said Section 17 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 unorthodox location.

(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

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of an excessive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

# IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) The application of Hanson Operating Company, Inc. for an unorthodox oil well location for the Allison-Pennsylvanian Pool is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit O) of Section 17, Township 8 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Roosevelt County, New Mexico.

(2) The W/2 SE/4 of said Section 17 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 1 Q WILLIAM J. LEMAY Director

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