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. 10431 ORDER NO. R-9630

APPLICATION OF TEXACO EXPLORATION AND PRODUCING, INC. FOR SPECIAL POOL RULES, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on December 19, 1991, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this 27th day of January, 1992 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, Texaco Exploration and Producing, Inc., seeks an order promulgating special rules and regulations for the East Weir-Blinebry Pool in Sections 1, 11, 12 and 13, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, to include a provision for a gas-oil ratio limitation of 10,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil.

- (3) The East Weir-Blinebry Pool, created and defined by Division Order No. R-2221, as amended, is currently governed by General Statewide Rules and Regulations with a depth bracket allowable of 107 barrels of oil per day and a limiting gas-oil ratio of 2,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil which result in a casinghead gas allowable of 214 MCF per day.
 - (4) Said pool was initially a solution gas drive reservoir discovered in 1962.
- (5) Evidence presented at the hearing indicates that at this stage of development, wells in said pool may now be operated at the limiting gas-oil ratio of 10,000 to 1 without waste.
- (6) There was no opposition by any operator in the area or by any interested party in the pool to increase the gas-oil ratio limit to 10,000 to 1.
- (7) In order to afford the owner of each property in the East Weir-Blinebry Pool the opportunity to produce his just and equitable share of the oil and gas in the subject pool and for this purpose to use his just and equitable share of the reservoir energy, a limiting gas-oil ratio of 10,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of liquid hydrocarbons should be established for said pool.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) Effective February 1, 1992, Special Rules and Regulations for the East Weir-Blinebry Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, are hereby promulgated as follows:

SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE EAST WEIR-BLINEBRY POOL

- Rule 1: The limiting gas-oil ratio for said East Weir-Blinebry Pool shall be 10,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil produced.
- (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.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

WILLIAM J. LEMAY

Director

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