STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NFL - 132

INFILL DRILLING FINDINGS AND WELL-SPACING WAIVER
MADE PURSUANT TO SECTION 271.305(b) OF THE
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION REGULATIONS,
NATURAL GAS POLICY ACT OF 1978 AND OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
ORDER NO. R-6013

I.

Operator Sun Exploration & Production Co. Well Name and No. Cooper "B" Well No. 5

Location: Unit C Sec. 14 Twp. 24 South Rng. 36 East Cty. Lea

II.

THE DIVISION FINDS:

(1) That Section 271.305(b) of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Interim Regulations promulgated pursuant to the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 provides that, in order for an infill well to qualify as a new onshore production well under Section 103 of said Act, the Division must find, prior to the commencement of drilling, that the well is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the reservoir covered by the proration unit which cannot be so drained by any existing well within that unit, and must grant a waiver of existing well-spacing requirements.

(2) That by Order No. R-6013, dated June 7, 1979, the Division established an administrative procedure whereby the Division Director and the Division Examiners are empowered to act for the Division and find that an infill well is necessary.

(3) That the well for which a finding is sought is to be completed ~~in the~~ as an oil well in the Jalmat (Gas) Pool, and the standard spacing unit in said pool is 640 acres.

(4) That a 160 -acre proration unit comprising the N/2 N/2 of Sec. 14, Twp. 24 South, Rng. 36 East, is currently dedicated to the applicant's Cooper "B" Wells Nos. 2 and 3 located in Units C & A of said section.

(5) That this proration unit is ( ) standard (X) nonstandard; if nonstandard, said unit was previously approved by Order No. NSP-27.

(6) That said proration unit is not being effectively and efficiently drained by the existing well(s) on the unit.

(7) That the drilling and completion of the well for which a finding is sought should result in the production of an additional 15,964 MCF of gas from the proration unit which would not otherwise be recovered.

(8) That all the requirements of Order No. R-6013 have been complied with, and that the well for which a finding is sought is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the reservoir covered by said proration unit which cannot be so drained by any existing well within the unit.

(9) That in order to permit effective and efficient drainage of said proration unit, the subject application should be approved as an exception to the standard well spacing requirements for the pool.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant is hereby authorized to drill the well described in Section I above as an infill well on the existing proration unit described in Section II(4) above. The authorization for infill drilling granted by this order is an exception to applicable well spacing requirements and is necessary to permit the drainage of a portion of the reservoir covered by said proration unit which cannot be effectively and efficiently drained by any existing well thereon.

(2) That 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 this 24th day of March, 1986.

REMARKS: This application meets the qualifications for an effective and efficient finding pursuant to the FERC Rules and Regulations. However, Rule 29 of the Special Jalmat Rules forbids acreage dedicated to a gas well in the Jalmat Gas Pool to be simultaneously dedicated to an oil well in the Jalmat Pool.

DIVISION DIRECTOR ___ EXAMINER ___

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