



STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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APPLICATION OF CHEVRON U.S.A. INC. TO
EXPAND ITS WATERFLOOD PROJECT IN THE MALJAMAR
POOL IN LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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ORDER No. WFX-531

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
OF THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Under the provisions of Order No. R-1538, Chevron U.S.A. Inc. has made application to the Division on August 3, 1984, for permission to expand its Maljamar Grayburg Waterflood Project in the Maljamar Pool in Lea County, New Mexico.

NOW, on this 11th day of September, 1984, the Division Director finds:

1. That application has been filed in due form.
2. That satisfactory information has been provided that all offset operators have been duly notified of the application.
3. That no objection has been received within the waiting period as prescribed by Rule 701B.
4. That the proposed injection well is eligible for conversion to water injection under the terms of Rule 701.
5. That the proposed expansion of the above referenced Waterflood project will not cause waste nor impair correlative rights.
6. That the application should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That the applicant, Chevron U.S.A. Inc., be and the same is hereby authorized to inject water into Grayburg-San Andres formations through plastic-lined tubing set in a packer at approximately 3800 feet in the following described well for purposes of waterflooding to wit:

Maljamar Grayburg Waterflood Unit Well No. 78,
50' FWL and 1400' FSL of Sec. 3, T-17-S, R-32-E,
Lea County

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

That the operator shall take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface.

That the casing-tubing annulus (in each well) shall be loaded with an inert fluid and equipped with a pressure gauge at the surface or left open to the atmosphere to facilitate detection of leakage in the casing, tubing, or packer.

That the injection well or system shall be equipped with a pressure limiting device which will limit the wellhead pressure on the injection well to no more than 784 psi.

That the Director of the Division may authorize an increase in injection pressure upon a proper showing by the operator of said well that such higher pressure will not result in migration of the injected fluid from the Grayburg-San Andres formation. That such proper showing shall consist of a valid step-rate test run in accordance with and acceptable to this office.

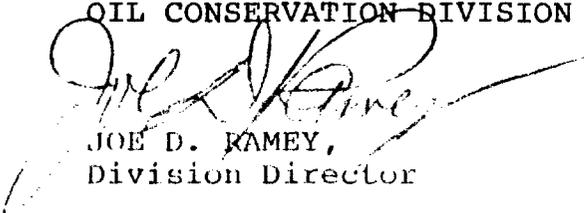
That the operator shall notify the supervisor of the Division's Hobbs District Office before injection is commenced through said well.

That the operator shall immediately notify the Supervisor of the Division's Hobbs District Office of the failure of the tubing, casing, or packer in said well or the leakage of water from or around said well and shall take such steps as may be timely or necessary to correct such failure or leakage.

That the subject well shall be governed by all provisions of Division Order No. R-1538 and Rules 702, 703, 704, 705, and 706 not inconsistent herewith.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

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JOE D. RAMEY,
Division Director

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