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| EXFERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, CONVENTIONS | BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISS Santa Fe, New Mexico March 17, 1971 EXAMINER HEARING | ION |
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| LEINGS, STATEMENTS. DNE 243-6691 • ALBUQI | IN THE MATTER OF: Application of Union Oil Company of California for rededication of acreage and a non-standard unit, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. |)))Case No. 4512))) |
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| | TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING | |

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| | 1 | MR. NUTTER: Call next Case No. 4512. |
| | 2 | MR. HATCH: Application of Union Oil Company of |
| | 3 | Californía for rededication of acreage and a non-standard |
| | 4 | proration unit, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. |
| | 5 | MR. LOPEZ: If the Examiner please, my name is |
| | 6 | Owen Lopez with Montgomery, Federici, Andrews, Hannahs and |
| | 7 | Morris of Santa Fe, appearing on behalf of Union Oil Company |
| | 8 | and I have one witness to be sworn. |
| | 9 | (Witness sworn.) |
| | 10 | (Whereupon, Applicant's Exhibits 1 through 3 were |
| | 11 | marked for identification.) |
| | 12 | MR. LOPEZ: Mr. Examiner, before we begin presentin |
| | 13 | the evidence, I would like to make an oral motion that my |
| | 14 | application in this case be amended that everywhere it states |
| | 15 | Section 18, it read Section 17. This was a mistake on my |
| | 15 | part and I believe it has been advertised correctly as Sectio |
| | 17 | 17. |
| | 18 | MR. NUTTER: So, the application is amended to read |
| | 19 | Section 17, Township 8 South, Range 38 East, is this correct? |
| | 20 | MR. LOPEZ: That's correct, Mr. Examiner. |
| | 21 | DAVID A. DUNN, |
| | 22 | having been first duly sworn, testified as follows: |
| | 23 | DIRECT EXAMINATION |
| FIRST | 24 | BY MR. LOPEZ: |
| | 25 | Q Mr. Dunn, would you please state your name and address |

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| | 1 | | and by whom you are employed and in what capacity? |
| | 2 | Á | My name is David A. Dunn. I reside in Midland, Texas, |
| | 3 | | and am employed by the Union Oil Company of California |
| | 4 | | as assistant manager of exploration. |
| | 5 | Ω | Have you testified before the Commission and are your |
| | 6 | | qualifications a matter of record? |
| | 7 | A | They are. |
| | 8 | | MR. LOPEZ: Are his qualifications acceptable? |
| | 9 | | MR. NUTTER: Yes, they are. |
| | 10 | Q | (By Mr. Lopez) Now, Mr. Dunn, referring to Exhibit No. |
| | 11 | | l, would you please identify the exhibit and explain |
| 103 | 12 | | what it means? |
| NEW MEXICO 87103 87108 | 13 | A | Exhibit No. 1 is a copy of a structure map that has all |
| EW ME7 108 | 14 | | of the information within the area pertaining to the |
| XICO 83 | 15 | | production from the San Andres with particular emphasis |
| | 16 | | on the Bluitt combined San Andres Gas and Oil Field. |
| : 243-8691 • ALBU - BUQUERQUE, NI | 17 | | The exhibit has been presented previously in Case |
| U QUEF | 18 | | 4451 and the only modification to this exhibit is to add |
| TOAL | 19 | | three wells that are pertinent to the case that is being |
| μ | 20 | | heard here today. The exhibit is a rather complicated |
| NANK BLOG. | 21 | | one; it was fully described in Case No. 4451. |
| | 22 | | The colors denote the oil and gas production within |
| HMMS BLDG. | 23 | | the Bluitt Field. The dashed outlines denote what our |
| FIRST | 24 | | people, on studying this field, consider to be the |
| | 25 | | limits of commercial production that can be obtained |

within the area.

The line to the south -- the dashed line to the south is a combination of a lower line of permeability and down-dip water accumulations in the field. The line to the north is a permeability -- a loss of permeability within the Todd zone which is the principal zone of principal production within the field area.

This field produces from both, what we consider the Todd and Milnesand zone, and they are considered as one unit producer by the Commission. The wells that have been added to this exhibit are in Sections 17 and Sections 20. They are the Rodden No. 1 Sands 17, located 2,086 feet from the north line and 2,086 feet from the west line of Section 17, Township 8 South, Range 38 East.

This well was completed November 24, 1970, pumping 120 barrels of oil per day. The Delaware Apache No. 2 Cooke Federal, located 1980 feet from the north and east lines of Section 20 of Township 8 South, Range 38 East, was completed January 23, 1971, pumping 22 barrels of oil and 140 barrels of water per day.

The Union No. 120 Federal, located 510 feet from the north line and 1980 feat from the east line of Section 20, Township 8 South, Range 38 East, was completed January 6, 1971, flowing 187 barrels of oil per day on an 18/64th inch choke.

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1 There has been no modification made of the 2 structural map, although these wells do not exactly fit the structure and there is some indication that the 3 dashed line which, on the map, is located just north of 4 5 the Delaware Apache, could be moved a few hundred feet б to the south. 7 The exhibit, as I say, is not changed. The wells . dearnley-meier both Union's Well and the Delaware Apache Wells were 8 slightly higher structurally than contoured on the map. 9 This would require very minor modification. I do not 10 believe there is any significant change from the testimony 11 SPECIALIZING IN: DEPOSITIONS, HEARINGS, STATEMENTS, EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, CONVENTIONS previously presented. 12 203 SIMMS BLDC. P.O. BOX 1092.0PMONE 243-6601.0LEUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO 87103 FIRST JATIONAL BANK BLDC. EAST.ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO 87108 All right. Now, referring to Applicant's Exhibit No. 2, Q 13 would you please explain what this exhibit means? 14 Our Exhibit No. 2 is a land and location plat of a Α 15 portion of the Bluitt Field. The printed portion of the 16 map shows the present proration units or dedicated units 17 to the individual wells. 18 These -- this exhibit illustrates that Union's 1-A 19 State in Section 17 in the northwest of the southeast 26 of Section 17 has a dedication east-west including the 21 northwest of the southeast and the northeast of the 22 southeast of Section 17. 23 Union's No. 120 in Section 20 has a dedication of 24 the northwest of the northeast of Section 20 and the 25

PAGE 6 southwest of the southeast of Section 17. 1 Q Now, I don't want to interrupt you, but is this non-2 standard unit that you have just described, was that the 3 subject of the hearing in Case No. 4451? 4 That is correct. This was a non-standard unit which was Α 5 approved by the Commission as a result of this case. б MR. LOPEZ: Mr. Examiner, I believe that was Order 7 dearnley-meier No. R-4066. 8 MR. NUTTER: 4066? 9 MR. LOPEZ: Right. 10 THE WITNESS: Now, the overlay portion of this 11 SPECIALIZING INF DEPOSITIONS, HEARINGS, STATEMENTS, EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, CONVENTIONS exhibit indicates the proposed changes in dedication. There 12 209 SIMM3 BLDG.● 3.0, BOX 1092●PHONE 243-6691●ALBUQUERQUE. NEW MEXICO 87103 FIRST NATIONAL BANK BLDG. EAST●ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO 87108 would, by our recommendation, be a change in the dedication 13 of acreage to Union's 1 A-17, which would be a non-standard 14 unit. 15 It would comprise of the northwest of the southeast 16 of 17 and the southwest of the northeast of 17. This would 17 allow for a standard unit to be dedicated ' a well that is 18 proposed by Union to be drilled in the southeast of the 19 southeast of Section 17 and the unit for that well to be the 20 east half of the southeast quarter of Section 17. 21 (By Mr. Lopez) Now, Mr. Dunn, have you contacted any Q 22 of the offset operators in regards to application in this 23 case? 24 Since the non-standard unit would only affect Mr. Rodden Α 25

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| 1 | | as an offset operator, we did contact Rodden Oil and |
| 2 | | Rodden furnished us with a waiver to objection for this |
| 3 | | non-standard unit. They sent us a letter signed by Mr. |
| 4 | | Webster, dated March 11, 1971. |
| 5 | Q | And this is Applicant's Exhibit No. 3, is that correct? |
| 6 | | What is your conclusion or recommendation to the |
| 7 | | Commission? |
| 8 | A | My recommendation to the Commission is that this non- |
| 9 | | standard unit be allowed in order that we may proceed |
| 10 | | with orderly development of the Bluitt Field. It is our |
| 11 | | feeling that our analysis of the field and the condition |
| 12 | | existing here are essentially correct. |
| 13 | | At the hearing previously referred to in Case 4451, |
| 14 | | it was pointed out in the testimony that ultimately if |
| 15 | | Union's proposed well at that time was successful it |
| 16 | | would be necessary to rededicate acreage to orderly |
| 17 | | develop the field. |
| 18 | | Now, we propose, at this time, to offset the Cities |
| 19 | | Service tract in Section 16, but this would be on a |
| 20 | | standard unit and would not require any notice. It |
| 21 | | would also give State acreage an offset and undoubtedly |
| 22 | | would create additional activity. |
| 23 | | If we are successful at this location, as we feel |
| 24 | | we will be, we will propose a well on another standard |
| 25 | | unit in the Section 17, that would comprise of the east |

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| | 1 | | half of the northeast quarter of Section 17, for a well |
| | 2 | | to be drilled in the southeast of the northeast quarter. |
| | 3 | Q | Is it your conclusion that if your application is |
| | 4 | | granted, that you will prevent economic waste and |
| | 5 | | protect correlative rights? |
| | 6 | A | It is. |
| | 7 | Q | Were Exhibits 1 and 2 prepared by you or under your |
| | 8 | | supervision? |
| | 9 | A | They were. |
| | - 10 | | MR. LOPEZ: At this time, Mr. Examiner, I would |
| | 11 | 13ke | to introduce Exhibits 1, 2 and 3 into evidence. |
| IVENTIONS 87103 | 12 | | MR. NUTTER: Union's Exhibits 1, 2 and 3 will be |
| MEXICO 871 | 13 | entei | red into evidence. |
| TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, CONVENTIONS Querque, New Mexico 87103 Ew Mexico 87108 | 14 | | CROSS EXAMINATION |
| ONY, DAI QUE. N XICO 87 | 15 | BY MI | R. NUTTER: |
| | 16 | Q | Mr. Dunn, where is this new well proposed to be drilled? |
| EXPERT 1. ALBU ROUE, N | 17 | А | In the southeast of the southeast of Section 17. It is |
| EMENTS, | 18 | | not on the structural map there, Mr. Nutter. It is on |
| S, STATU Hone 2 T-Alb | 19 | | the plat in Exhibit 2. |
| HEARING: 1092 • P) 06. EAS | 20 | Q | So, you are not disturbing the dedication of the acreage |
| DE ?05171045, HEARINGS, STATEMENTS, | 21 | | assigned to your I guess it's your No. 120 in Unit |
| | 22 | | "B" of Section 20? |
| ALIZING IN: MMS BLD | 23 | А | No, we are not. |
| SPECIALIZING 209 SIMMS BI FIRST NATIO | 24 | Q | That well has the Unit "B" of 20 and Unit "O" of 17 |
| | 25 | | dedicated to it, doesn't it? |

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PAGE 9 1 That is correct, and that unit, Mr. Examiner, is all А 2 on one base lease. The Union's base lease comprises 3 the east half of Section 17, the south half of the south east quarter of Section 8, and the northwest of the north-5 east quarter of Section 20. It's all one base lease and 6 it will not require any changes in royalty or assignment dearnley-meier 7 I see. Now, let's see. Let me get that straight again. Q 8 It's the south half of the southeast of 8, the east half 9 of 17 and the northwest-northeast of 20? 10 That's right. А And the southwest of 17 is another lease? 11 0 SPECIALIZING IN: DEPOSITIONS, HÉARINGS, STATEMENTS, EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, CONVENTIONS Southwest of 17 is another lease. 12 Α 209 SIMMS PLDG. P.O. BOX 1092-PHONE 243-6691-ALBUQUERQUE. NEW MEXICO 87103 FIRST NATIONAL BANK BLDG. SAST-ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO 87108 MR. NUTTER: Are there any other questions of the 13 witness? He may be excused. 14 15 (Witness excused.) MR. NUTTER: Do you have anything further, Mr. Lopez? 16 MR. LOPEZ: No, Mr. Examiner. 17 MR. NUTTER: Does anyone have anything further they 18 wish to offer in Case No. 4512? We will take the case under 19 advisement. 20 21 22 23 24 25

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PAGE 11 1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO)) ss 2 COUNTY OF BERNALILLO) 3 I, GLENDA BURKS, Court Reporter in and for the County 4 of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico, do hereby certify that 5 the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the б New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me; 7 and that the same is a true and correct record of the said dearnley-meier 8 proceedings to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability. 9 Blanda Burks Court Reporter 10 11 SPECIALIZING IN: DEFOSITIONS, HEARINGS, STATEMENTS, EXPERT TESTIMONY, DAILY COPY, CONVENTIONS 12 209 SIMMS BLIDG. P.O. BOX 1092 PHONE 243-6691 ALBUQUERQUE. NEW MEXICO 87103 FIRST NATIONAL FANK BLDG. EAST ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO 87108 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 t do control approved that the storagoing it 22 t an arrange and an arrange to the presentings in the contraction of the presentings in the contraction of t 100 Barliner Barling of 1990 Bl 23 izala bo and in The second 13.33 24 and sector C Planse Statistics 25



OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. BOX 2088 - SANTA FE 87501 GOVERNOR BRUCE KING CHAIRMAN

LAND COMMISSIONER ALEX J. ARMIJO MEMBER STATE GEOLOGIST A. L. PORTER, JR. SECRETARY – DIRECTOR

March 31, 1971

Re: Case No. 4512 Mr. Owen Lopez Order No. R-4124 Montgomery, Federici, Andrews, Hannahs & Morris Attorneys at Law Post Office Box 2307 Union Oil Company of Calif. Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Commission order recently entered in the subject case.

Very truly yours, a.L. Torler Os

A. L. PORTER, Jr. Secretary-Director

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Copy of order also sent to:

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MIXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 4512 Order No. R-4124

APPLICATION OF UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA FOR REDEDICATION OF ACREAGE AND A NON-STANDARD PROPATION UNIT, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on March 17, 1971, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>30th</u> day of March, 1971, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Union Oil Company of California, seeks approval of an 80-acre non-standard oil proration unit in the Bluitt-San Andres Associated Pool comprising the NW/4 SE/4 and the SW/4 NE/4 of Section 17, Township 8 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to its Federal 17-A Well No. 1 located in the NW/4 SE/4 of said Section 17.

(3) That a standard 80-acre protation unit comprising the N/2 SE/4 of gaid Section 17 is presently dedicated to the subject well.

(4) That if the above-described request is granted, the applicant proposes to drill a well in the SE/4 SE/4 of said

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Section 17 and to dedicate to the well a standard 80-acre proration unit comprising the E/2 SE/4 of said Section 17.

(5) That the entire non-standard oil proration unit requested by the applicant may reasonably be presumed to be productive of oil from the Bluitt-San Andres Associated Pool and can be efficiently and economically drained and developed by its Federal 17-A Well No. 1.

(6) That the ownership is common throughout the E/2 of said Section 17.

(7) That approval of the 80-acre non-standard oil proration unit as requested will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the oil in the Bluitt-San Andres Associated Pool underlying the E/2 of said Section 17, will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, will avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excersive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That, effective April 1, 1971, an 80-acre non-standard oil proration unit in the Bluitt-San Andres Associated Pool comprising the NW/4 SE/4 and the SW/4 NE/4 of Section 17, Township 8 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, is hereby established and dedicated to the Union Oil Company Federal 17-A Well No. 1 located in the NW/4 SE/4 of said Section 17.

(2) That the operator of the above-described well shall file an amended Form C-102, in accordance with Commission Rule 1102, with the Hobbs Office of the Commission or or before April 1, 1971, dedicating the above-described acreage to the subject well.

(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary. -3-CASE NO. 4512 Order No. R-4124

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

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION CONMISSION

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ALEX J. ARMIJO, Member

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A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

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CASE 4511: Application of Skelly Oil Company for a non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the amendment of Order No. R-590-A to permit the rededication of the 240-acre nonstandard gas proration unit in the Tubb Gas Pool authorized in said order to its Baker "B" Well No. 7 located 1980 feet from the South and East lines of Section 10, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, in lieu of its Well No. 15 located in the same quarter-quarter section.

CASE 4300: (Reopened):

In the matter of Case No. 4300 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-3917, which order established 640acre spacing units for the Sand Dunes-Atoka Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, for a period of one year. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 320-acre spacing units.

CASE 4512: Application of Union Oil Company of California for rededication of acreage and a non-standard proration unit, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the establishment of a non-standard oil proration unit comprising the NW/4 SE/4 and the SW/4 NE/4 of Section 17, Township 8 South, Range 38 East, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, by the rededication of acreage to its Federal 17 A Well No. 1 located in the NW/4 SE/4 of said Section 17.

<u>CASE 4513:</u> Southeastern New Mexico nomenclature case calling for the **extension**, creation and abolishment of certain pools in Lea, Eddy, Chaves and Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico:

(a) Create a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Pennsylvanian production and designated as the South Buffalo-Pennsylvanian Pool. The discovery well is King Resources Company Kimo Sabe No. 1 located in Unit J of Section 16, Township 19 South, Range 33 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

> TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, NMPM SECTION 16: SE/4

(b) Create a new pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Atoka production and designated as the Grandi Ranch-Atoka Gas Pool. The discovery well is the Byron M. McKnight Grandi Ranch No. 1 located in Unit J of Section



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Re: Case 4512 March 17, 1971

The undersigned hereby waives objection to Union Oil Company of California's rededication of acreage and non-standard unit for its Federal 17 "A" Well No. 1. The 80 acre proration unit for subject well is to be changed from N/2 SE/4 to SW/4 NE/4 and NW/4 SE/4 of Section 17, T-8-S, R-38-E, Roosevelt County, New Mexico.

RODEN OIL COMPANY

<u>By</u> By <u>3-11-71</u> Date

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW LEXICO

For March 17th Ex.

THE APPLICATION OF UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA FOR NON-STANDARD UNIT IN ROOSEVELT COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Cause No. 4512

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Comes now the applicant, UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA by and through its attorneys, Montgomery, Federici, Andrews, Hannahs & Morris and respectfully states:

 The applicant is the owner of the NW 1/4 of the /7
SE 1/4 and the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 18, Township
8 South, Range 38 East N.M.P.M., Roosevelt County, New Mexico.

2. Applicant's land is located near the Bluitt-San Andres Associated Pool in Roosevelt County, New Mexico, and is governed by the rules thereof which provide for 80 acre well location units.

3. Applicant has drilled a San Andres well producing from the Todd Zone, said well named Federal 17A No. 1, at an orthodox location in the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 18, Township 8 South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M., which well has dedicated to it the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 and the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 16, Township 8 South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M.

4. For the purposes of developing applicant's lease in an orderly fashion, preventing waste and protecting correlative rights, applicant submits that it is necessary to convert the standard unit comprised of the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 and the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 16, Township 8 South, Range

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38 East, N.H.P.H. to a non-standard unit comprised of the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 and the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4. Applicant further proposes to drill a future San Andres test well at an orthodox location in a standard unit comprised of the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 and the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 16, 17 Township 8 South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M.

5. The non-standard unit consists of quarter-quarter sections that are contiguious by a common bordering side, that lie wholly within a single governmental 1/2 section, that are part of the same basic lease, that carry the same royalty interest, and that possess common ownership.

WHEREFORE, applicant respectfully requests the Commission to:

1. Set this matter for hearing on March 17, 1971, before an examiner duly appointed by the Commission and that due public notice be given as required by law; and

2. Issue an order approving a non-standard unit comprising the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 and the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 10, Township 8 South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M., which would be an exception to the rules governing the Bluitt San Andres Associated Pool in Roosevelt County, New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,

MONTGOMERY, FEDERICI, ANDREWS, HANNARS & MORRES BY: P. O. Box 2307 Santa Fe, New Mexico Attorneys for Applicant

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

Order No. R-<u>4124</u>

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ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

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(2) That the applicant, Union Oil Company of California, seeks approval of an 80-acre non-standard oil proration unit in the Bluitt-San Andres Associated Pool comprising the NW/4 SE/4 and the SW/4 NE/4 of Section 17, Township 8 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to its Federal 17-A Well No. 1 located in the NW/4 SE/4 of said Section 17.

(3) That a standard 80-acre proration unit comprising the N/2 SE/4 of said Section 17 is presently dedicated to the subject well.

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(4) That if the above-described request is granted, the applicant proposes to drill a well in the SE/4 SE/4 of said Section 17 and to dedicate to the well a standard 80-acre proration unit comprising the E/2 SE/4 of said Section 17.

(5) That the entire non-standard oil proration unit requested by the applicant may reasonably be presumed to be productive of oil from the Bluitt-San Andres Associated Pool and can be efficiently and economically drained and developed by its Federal 17-A Well No. 1.

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(1) That, effective April 1, 1971, an 80-acre non-standard oil proration unit in the Bluitt-San Andres Associated Pool comprising the NW/4 SE/4 and the SW/4 NE/4 of Section 17, Township 8 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, is hereby established and dedicated to the Union Oil Company Federal 17-A Well No. 1 located in the NW/4 SE/4 of said Section 17.

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(2) That the operator of the above-described well shall file an amended Form C-102, in accordance with Commission Rule 1102 with the Hobbs Office of the Commission on or before April 1, 1971, dedicating the above-described acreage to the subject well.

(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary. DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION