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## BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Santa Fe, New Mexico 17 August, 1977

#### EXAMINER HEARING

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IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico.

CASE 6015

BEFORE: Richard L. Stamets.

#### TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

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The Witness, I. J. Natour

Direct Examination by Mr. Eaton

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Applicant's Exhibit 1, Land Map

Applicant's Exhibit 2, Waivers

Applicant's Exhibit 3, Plat

Applicant's Exhibit 4, Structure Map

Applicant's Exhibit 5, Cross Section

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MR. STAMETS: Call now Case Number 6015.

MS. TESCHENDORF: Case 6015. Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico.

MR. EATON: I'm Paul Eaton with the Hinkle firm, Roswell, New Mexico, appearing for the Applicant. I have one witness.

MR. STAMETS: This is Mr. Natour who was sworn in the previous case and he is well qualified and he is still sworn.

#### I, J. NATOUR

being called as a witness and being duly sworn upon his oath, testified as follows, to-wit:

#### DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. EATON:

Q You are Mr. I. J. Natour who has just testified in Case 6014, are you not?

A. Yes, sir.

0 Mr. Natour, are you familiar with the application in Case Number 6015?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Will you please state what Atlantic Richfield seeks by that application?

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A. Atlantic Richfield Company is seeking the approval of unorthodox gas well location in Eddy County, New Mexico, being 1980 feet from the south line and 660 feet from the east line of Section 32, Township 20 South, Range 27 East, in Avalon Morrow Gas Pool, with the south half of Section 32 dedicated to the well.

- Q. Have you prepared exhibits in connection with your presentation?
- A. Yes, sir, either prepared them or they were prepared under my supervision.
- Q. Would you please refer to what has been marked for identification as Exhibit 1 and state what this exhibit reflects?
- A. Exhibit Number 1 is a land map showing an acreage position of the offset operators; at the same time showing the deep and -- all wells drilled on or around our proposed proration unit, which is outlined in red and our proposed location, which has been -- which is that red dot.
  - Q. All right. Now, who are the offset operators?
- A. Offset operators are Maralo, Incorporated, Atlantic Richfield, Morris R. Antweil, Monsanto, Coquina, and Holly Energy Corporation.
- 0. Have you sent copies of your application to the offset operators?
  - A. Yes, sir, we have.

Q. Have you secured waivers from all of them?

A. We secured waivers from Coquina Oil Corporation.

Secured waivers from Monsanto Oil Company. Secured waivers from Morris R. Antweil.

I have talked to Maralo.

- Q. Wait a second. Are those waivers reflected in your Exhibit Number 2?
  - A. Yes, sir.
- Q All right. Now, you have not received waivers from Maralo or from Holly, is that correct?
  - A. Yes, that's correct.
- Q Would you state the nature of -- or the status of your request of those operators?
- A. I had -- I had called Mr. Jack Simmons with Maralo on August the 8th of 1977, and he indicated to me that they do not have any objection to our unorthodox location; however, it's their company policy not to sign waivers.
  - All right, and now what about --
- A. And I had called on the same date, August the 8th, 1977, I had called Mr. W. H. Boyles with Holly Energy and he indicated that they are proposing an unorthodox location in the northeast northeast of Section 32 and if we signed their waiver, they would sign ours. And we had signed our waiver, waiving objection to their well, about three days ago but we have not received their waiver yet.

Q. So you would anticipate receiving a waiver from Holly Energy, is that correct?

A. Based on that information that I got when I talked to Mr. Boyles, yes.

Q Mr. Natour, please refer to what has been marked as Exhibit 3 and state what that exhibit is.

A. Exhibit 3 is New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Well Location and Dedication Plat, showing proposed proration unit, which is the south half of Section 32. It also shows the footage and location of Holly Oil, being 1980 feet from the south and 660 from the east, and in that south half of the south half also shows that Gulf Oil Corporation is a working interest owner in our well; also shows part of the Pecos River.

O. The proposed well name is Pecos Federal Gas Com Number 1, is that right?

A. That's correct.

Q All right. Now, sir, would you please refer to what has been marked as Exhibit 4, and state what that exhibit represents?

A. Exhibit Number 4 is a structure map contoured on Morrow marker, and shows our proposed location. It also shows production in the area, and if I may refer to the color code, red is a Wolfcamp producer; Strawn is orange; Morrow is green; and yellow is a dry hole.

Q Do you have anything more you wish to testify to from this exhibit?

A. I would like to come back to this exhibit when we're talking about Exhibit Number 5.

Q All right, let me -- please refer then to Exhibit
Number 5 and state what this exhibit is.

A. Exhibit Number 5 is an east-west cross section.

Going from the east we had the Ralph Lowe Federal Number 1,
and if I may direct the attention of the Commission, Mr.

Examiner, to the index map, Ralph Lowe is a well to the
left and going -- on your right, and going to your left we
have Arco G. Conley Federal Number 1; then our proposed
location, a pink dot; Monsanto Coquina Federal Number 1;
and John Kelly Lake McMillan Federal Number 1.

And if I may incorporate now Exhibit Number 4 in with this Exhibit Number 5, we can see that we are going from the lowest, at least on this map, structurely well up there to the John Kelly Lake McMillan Number 1, which is located 1980 from the south and 1980 from the east line of Section 36, not shown on this structural map, but we are going up-dip.

On the cross section it shows the porous Morrow Sand colored in red; the yellow is our interpretation of the Morrow Sands in this particular area; the green is the perforation as to date on these producers.

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We can see that all of these wells with the exception of the John Kelly Number 1 are producing -- testing for gas from the Lower Morrow Sand, which is below the Morrow marker, and the Upper Morrow Sands -- I was talking with Mr. Jack Simmons with Maralo, of course they operate the Ralph Lowe well -- and he said there was nothing wrong with the Upper Morrow Sand in their well; however, they were trying to start from the bottom and go up to get all of these sands and they had made a million a day of gas out of the Lower Morrow Sand and they did not want to kill the well; afraid of damage.

Our G. Conley Federal is producing from both sands, the Lower and the Upper Morrow, and the Monsanto well being about 250 feet up-structure from Arco G. Conley Federal Number 1 had either tested the Upper Morrow Sand, tested wet, or calculated around 60 or 70 percent water saturation on the oil; however, this well was completed in these thin zones in the Lower Morrow Sands for about a million a day calculated potential.

We are -- we do believe that the Lower Morrow Sand is productive throughout our acreage and the Upper Morrow Sand, the risk of drilling the well to the east is minimized at our location because I honestly don't believe that the Upper Morrow Sand extends all through that acreage. We could have some override through different lenses or some

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kind of pinchout between these two lenses.

The log, they correlate that this seems to be about the same, about 250 feet higher on the fracture that Monsanto well tested water on the drill stem test and calculated water on the log.

Our well is making about a million and a half, two million a day, selling to Gas Company of New Mexico, and most of that is produced from that Upper Morrow Sand based on temperature logging.

Mr. Natour, in wanting to move the location to the east, you are moving it toward your Conley Number 1 well, isn't it?

A. Yes, sir, so we are moving toward our acreage dedicated to G. Conley Federal Number 1 to encounter the best Morrow Sand, especially in Upper Morrow Zone.

Q. Were these exhibits prepared by you or under your supervision?

A. Yes, sir.

On your opinion will approval of the application be in the interest of conservation; will it protect correlative rights, and will it prevent waste?

A. Yes, sir.

MR. EATON: Mr. Examiner, we offer Applicant's Exhibits 1 through 5 into evidence.

MR. STAMETS: These exhibits will be admitted.

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MR. EATON: We have no further questions of Mr. Natour.

MR. STAMETS: Are there any questions of the witness? He may be excused.

Anything further in this case?

MR. EATON: No, sir.

MR. STAMETS: Case is taken under advisement.

If there is nothing further, the hearing is adjourned.

(Hearing concluded.)

#### REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

I, SIDNEY F. MORRISH, a Certified Shorthand Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me, and the same is a true and correct record of the said proceedings to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. BOX 2088 - SANTA FE 87501

LAND COMMISSIONER
PHIL R. LUCERO
September 1, 1977



STATE GEOLOGIST EMERY C. ARNOLD

Re: Mr. Paul Eaton Hinkle, Bondurant, Cox & Eaton Attorneys at Law	CASE NO. 6015 ORDER NO. R-5520
Post Office Box 10 Roswell, New Mexico 88201	Applicant:
	Atlantic Richfield Company
Dear Sir:	
Enclosed herewith are two co Commission order recently en	
Yours very truly, JOE D. RAMEY 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 MEXICO

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

> CASE NO. 6015 Order No. R-5520

APPLICATION OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 17, 1977, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 30th day of August , 1977, 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, Atlantic Richfield Company, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 32, Township 20 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, to test the Morrow formation, Avalon-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the S/2 of said Section 32 is to be dedicated to the well.
- (4) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the proration unit.
- (5) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.
- (6) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the gas in the subject pool, will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

-2-Case No. 6015 Order No. R-5520

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That an unorthodox gas well location for the Morrow formation is hereby approved for a well to be located at a point 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 32, Township 20 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Avalon-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (2) That the S/2 of said Section 32 shall be dedicated to the above-described 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 herein-above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PHIL R. LUCERO, Chairman

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JOE D. RAMEY, Member & Secretary

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Maralo, Inc. P.O. Box 832 Midland, Texas 79701

#### Gentlemen:

Attached is a copy of an application filed by Atlantic Richfield Company with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission requesting approval of an unorthodox well location 1,980 feet North of the South line and 660 feet West of the East line of Section 32, Township 20 South, Range 27 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

If you have no objection to the proposed location, please so note in the space provided below and return one copy of this letter, so noted, to Atlantic Richfield Company, Attention: W. T. Porter, Post Office Fox 1610, Midland, Texas 79701.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Duncan W. Holt, Jr.

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Objection to the proposed location is hereby waived.

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By Diagram

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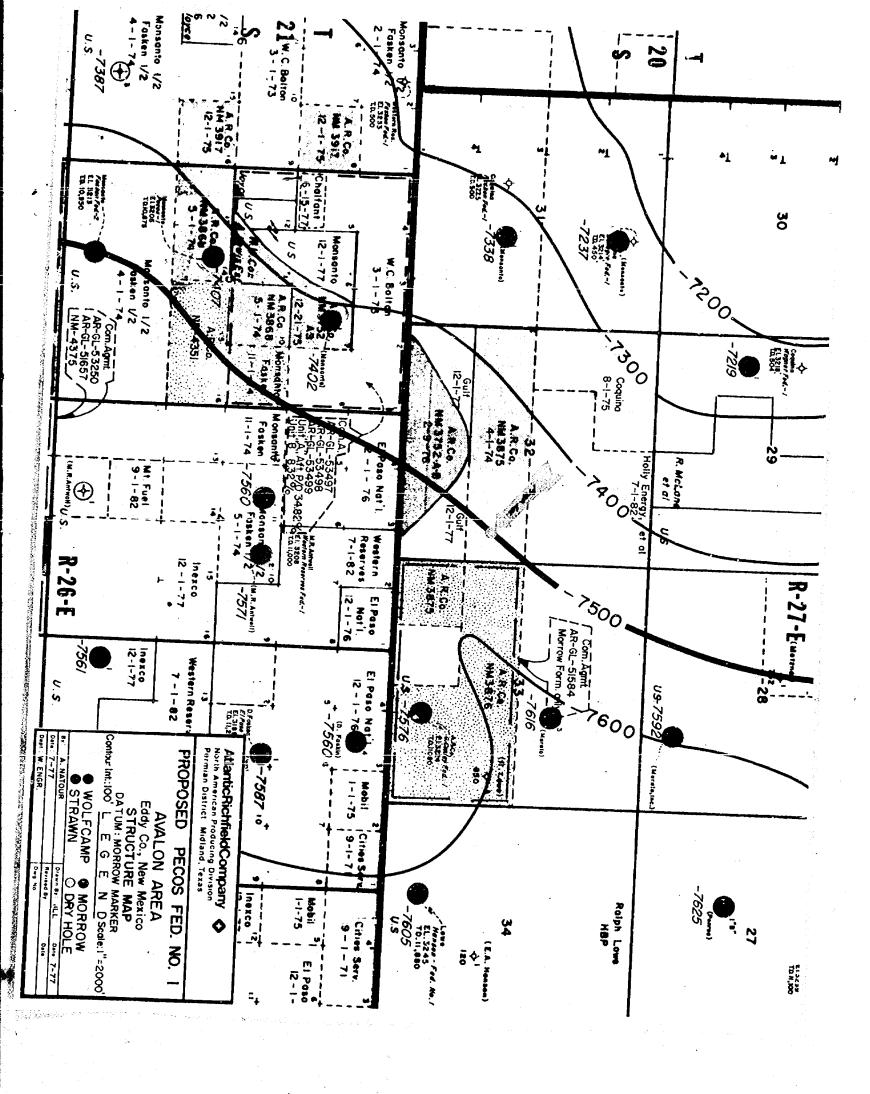
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Re: Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for an Unorthodox Well Location S/2 of Section 32, Township 20 South, Range 27 East, Eddy County, New Mexico

#### Gentlemen:

Enclosed in triplicate is application of Atlantic Richfield Company in the subject matter. Approval is requested for the application.

The off-set operators are named in paragraph 6 of the application. Each has been furnished with a copy of the application.

Very truly yours,

Duncan W. Holt, Jr.

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Enclosure

cc: Oil Conservation Commission (w/attach.)
Attention: Mr. William Gressett
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Dockets Nos. 27-77 and 28-77 are tentatively set for hearing on August 31 and September 14, 1977. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

#### DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 17, 1977

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Richard L. Stamets, Examiner, or Daniel S. Nutter, Alternate Examiner:

- ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for September, 1977, from fifteen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy, Chaves, and Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico.
  - (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for September, 1977, from four prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.
- CASE 6001: (Continued from August 3, 1977, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Mesa Petroleum Co. for an exception to Order No. R-5459, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the provisions of Order No. R-5459 to exclude its Primo Well No. 1-A located in Unit D of Section 6, Township 31 North, Range 10 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, from the vertical limits of the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool as defined by said order.

- CASE 6007: Application of Gulf Energy and Minerals Company for a non-standard proration unit, simultaneous dedication and unorthodox locations, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 600-acre non-standard proration unit comprising all of Section 4 except the NE/4 NW/4 thereof, Township 22 South, Range 36 East, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be simultaneously dedicated to its J. F. Janda Wells Nos. 7 located in Unit K and Nos. 12 and 13, at unorthodox locations in Units O and P, respectively, of said Section 4.
- CASE 6008: Application of Texaco Inc. for a pressure maintenance project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a pressure maintenance project on its Central Vacuum Unit Area, Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, by the injection of water into the Grayburg-San Andres formation through 55 wells.
- Application of Morris R. Antweil for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests underlying the S/2 of Section 29, Township 18 South, Range 25 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 5992: (Readvertised)

Application of Burleson & Huff for compulsory pooling, a non-standard unit, and an unorthodox location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests underlying the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 14, Township 24 South, Range 36 East, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to form a non-standard 40-acre gas proration unit to be dedicated to applicant's Cooper Well No. 1 at an unorthodox location 2310 feet from the North and West lines of said Section 14, or in the alternative to drill another well at a standard location. Also to be considered will be the cost of recompletion or of drilling and completing the unit well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in recompleting or drilling said well.

CASE 6010: Application of Manana Gas Inc. for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Dakota formation underlying the W/2 of Section 13, Township 30 North, Range 12 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 840 feet from the South line and 1400 feet from the West line of said Section 13. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 6015:

- CASE 6011: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Blanco
  Mesaverde and Basin Dakota production in the wellbores of its Jicarilla "A" Well No. 1 in Unit
  I of Section 18, "B" Well No. 8 in Unit P of Section 15, "C" Wells Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, located,
  respectively, in Units F and I of Section 24, F of Section 14, and M and E of Section 13, all in
  Township 26 North, Range 5 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- CASE 6012: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for salt water disposal, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Strawn formation through the perforated interval from 11,174 feet to 11,236 feet in its Jones Federal Well No. 1, located in Unit K of Section 23, Township 19 South, Range 31 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- CASE 6013: Application of HNG Oil Company for compulsory pooling. Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the S/2 of Section 9, Township 24 South, Range 28 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 6014: Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of a well to be drilled 1980 feet from the South line and 330 feet from the West line of Section 6, Township 21 South, Range 27 East, Burton Flat-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, the W/2 of said Section 6 to be dedicated to the well.

Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for an unorthodox gas well location. Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of a well to be drilled 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 32, Township 20 South, Range 27 East, Avalon-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, the S/2 of said Section 32 to be dedicated to the well.

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## BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION SERVATION COMMISSION STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for an Unorthodox Gas Well Location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of an Unorthodox Gas Well Location 1,980 feet North of the South Line and 660 feet West of the East Line of Section 32, Township 20 South, Range 27 East to Test the Morrow Zone of Pennsylvanian age and the Dedication to said well of the South-Half (S/2) of said Section 32.

Case 6015

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Comes Atlantic Richfield Company, acting by and through, the undersigned attorney, and hereby makes application for approval for an unorthodox gas well location. Said location is 1,980 feet North of the South line and 660 feet West of the East line of Section 32, Township 20 South, Range 27 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, said well to be projected to approximately 11,000 feet to test the Morrow Zone of Pennsylvanian age, and the dedication to said well of the South-Half (S/2) of said Section 32. In support of this application, the Applicant respectfully shows:

- 1. Statewide Rule 104 specifies that an orthodox well location will be 1,980 feet from the nearest end boundary and 660 feet from the nearest side boundary.
- 2. Applicant believes that the proposed unorthodox location is the most strategic position to obtain production from the Morrow Zone of Pennsylvanian age.
- 3. The South-Half (S/2) of said Section 32 is covered by oil and gas leaseholds owned by the Applicant, and Gulf Energy & Minerals Company-USA. The proposed well will be designated as Pecos Federal Gas Com Well No. 1.
- 4. It is believed that the granting of this application is justified in the interest of conservation, prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights.
- 5. Attached hereto is a plat showing the ownership of all leases offsetting the spacing unit for which the unorthodox location is sought and also all wells completed thereon.
- 6. The offset operators are M. R. Antweil, whose address is P.O. Box 2010, Hobbs, New Mexico 88240; CoQuina Oil Corporation, whose address is P.O. Drawer 2960, Midland, Texas 79701; Holly Energy, whose address is 2001 Bryan Tower-Suite 2680, Bryan St., Dallas, Texas 75201; Monsanto Oil Company, whose address is 1330 Midland National Bank Tower, Midland, Texas 79701 and Maralo, Inc., whose address is P.O. Box 832, Midland, Texas 79701, all of which have been sent copies of the application.

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WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that notice be issued on this application as required by law; that the application be set for hearing before an Examiner at Santa Fe, New Mexico at the earliest convenient date and after hearing, a special order be entered approving the application for said unorthodox location.

Respectfully submitted,

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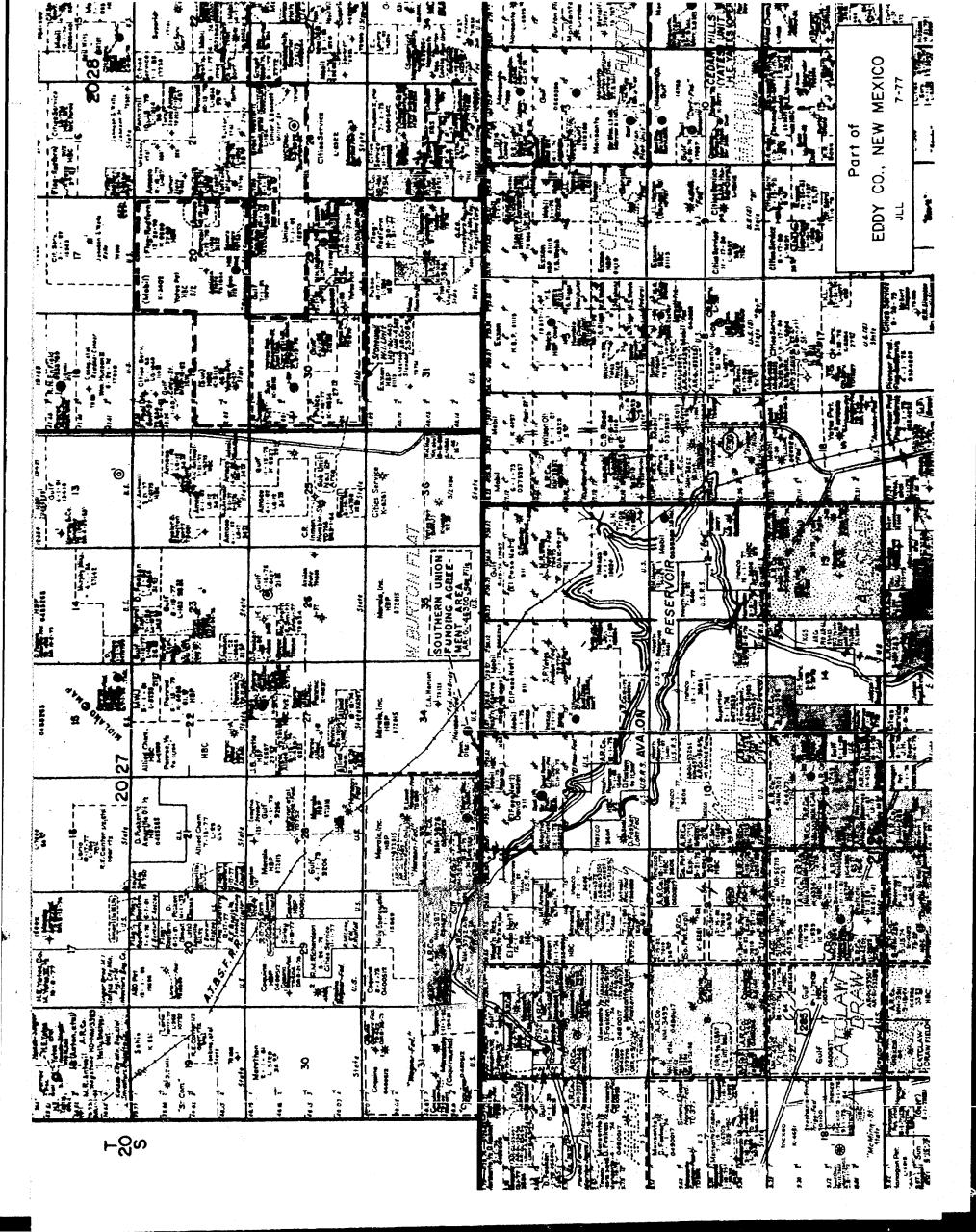
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ATTORNEYS FOR APPLICANT ATLANTIC RICHFIELD COMPANY

## NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

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## DEFORE 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:

CASE NO Order No. R- 5520 APPLICATION OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. ORDER OF THE COMMISSION BY THE COMMISSION: This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 17 at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets NOW, on this day of August , 19.77 , 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, Atlantic Richfield Company, seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location 1980 feet from the South line and  $\frac{660}{}$  feet from the <u>East</u> line of Section <u>32</u>, Township 20 South \_\_, Range 27 East , NMPM, to test the formation, Avalon-Morrow Gas Morrow Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico. (3) That the S/2 of said Section 32 is to be dedicated to the well. (4) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the proration unit. (5) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.

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(6) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the gas in the subject pool, will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That an unorthodox gas well location for	the Morr	OW
formation is hereby approved for a well to be locate	ed at a point	1980
feet from the South line and 660 feet fr	om the <u>Ea</u>	st
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- (2) That the  $\frac{S/2}{}$  of said Section  $\frac{32}{}$  shall be dedicated to the above-described 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.

