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Re: CASE NO. 6276 ORDER NO. R-6329

Applicant:

Dear Sir:

Jerome P. McHugh

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

Ppurs very truly, JOE D. RAMEY MAG Director

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## STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 6276 Order No. R-6329

APPLICATION OF JEROME P. MCHUGH FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE DIVISION

## BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 2, 1978, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>30th</u> day of April, 1980, the Division Director, having considered the record and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

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That the subject matter of this case has become most and the case should be <u>dismissed</u>.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 6276 is hereby dismissed.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year herein-

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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Director

#### Docket No. 24-78

Dockets Nos. 25-78 and 26-78 are tentatively set for hearing on August 16 and 30, 1978. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

#### DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 2, 1978

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

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

#### CASE 6238: (Continued from June 21, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Barber Oil, Inc., for a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for its Saladar Unit Area comprising 240 acres, more or less, of Pederal and fee lands in Township 20 South, Range 28 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

#### CASE 6226: (Continued from June 21, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Barber Oil, Inc., for a waterflood project, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project on its Saladar Unit, by the injection of water into the Yates formation through five wells located in Units K, L, N and O of Section 33, Township 20 South, Range 28 East, Saladar-Yates Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

<u>CASE 6283:</u> Application of Texas Oil & Gas Corporation for a non-standard proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 320-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the W/2 of Section 16, Township 20 South, Range 36 East, North Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon.

CASE 6276: (Continued from July 19, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Jerome P. McHugh for an unorthodox gas well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of his Chris Well No. 4 to be drilled 1902 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 9, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, Blanco Mesaverde Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, the S/2 of said Section 9 to be dedicated to the well.

Applicant further seeks authority to commingle Blanco Mesaverde and Gavilan-Pictured Cliffs production in the wellbore of said well.

#### CASE 6277: (Continued from July 19, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Jerome P. McHugh for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Gavilan Pictured Cliffs and Blanco Mesaverde production in the wellbores of his Chris Wells Nos. 3 and 3A, located in Units H and I of Section 21, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

#### CASE 6279: (Continued from July 19, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Hanagan Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Morrow formation underlying the N/2 of Section 28, Township 21 South, Range 26 East, Avalon Hills-Morrow Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a weil 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.

<u>CASE 6284</u>: Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Welch "A" Well No. 1 located 480 feet from the North line and 500 feet from the West line of Section 9, Township 18 South, Range 29 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, the W/2 of said Section 9 to be dedicated to the well.

<u>CASE 6285:</u> Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for downhole commingling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle Atoka and Permo-Penn gas production in the wellbore of its Federal "HQ" Well No. 1 located in Unit O of Section 5, Township 21 South, Range 22 East, Little Box Canyon Field, Eddy County, New Mexico.

#### CASE 6241: (Continued from July 19, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for downhole commingling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle Eagle Creek Permo-Penn and West Atoka-Morrow gas production in the wellbore of its Powell DG Well No. 1 located in Unit O of Section 35, Township 17 South, Range 25 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.



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Direct Examination by Mr. Tully

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MR. NUTTER: Call now Case Number 6276. MS. TESCHENDORF: Case 6276. Application of Jerome P. McHugh for an unorthodox gas well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

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MR. TULLY: May it please the Division, my name is Richard Tully, the attorney for Jerome P. McHugh. I have one witness to be called, Mr. Tom C. Dugan. (Witness sworn.)

# THOMAS C. DUGAN

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

## DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. TULLY:

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Thomas C. Dugan.

And your occupation, Mr. Dugan?

A. I'm a consulting petroleum engineer from

Farmington, New Mexico.

Q. And your address?

A. 907 Hallett Circle, Farmington, New Mexico.

MR. TULLY: Are Mr. Dugan's qualifications a

matter of record and acceptable?

MR. NUTTER: Yes, they are. 0, Mr. Dugan, now handing you two pieces of paper, each of them entitled Application, and would you review these applications and please briefly summarize them? A. Jerome McHugh drilled three wells on Okay. Jicarilla Reservation and the initial intent was to complete them as single Mesaverde wells. The --- after drilling the wells the logs didn't come out quite as good as we had hoped and also the Pictured Cliffs formation developed a little bit better than we had hoped, so we decided that the most practical way of completing these wells was to request that -- to commingle the Pictured Cliffs and the Mesaverde in the wellbore and this application was for that purpose. MR. NUTTER: Mr. Dugan, you mentioned three Now, I notice this --wells. Okay, excuse me, all right. A, MR. NUTTER: These exhibits cover the wells in Section 9 and the wells in Section 21. We've called the case only for the one in Section 9 up to now. A. Okay, excuse me. Mould you like to consolidate them for purpose Q. of testimony?

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MR. TULLY: That would be fine with us. We have two exhibits which we're going to use for both of

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1	them.
2	A. And essentially they're all the same, really.
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4	MR. NUTTER: It's the same question except
5	that the one case involving the well in Section 9 is also
6	an unorthodox location, but outside of that they're identi-
7	cal.
. 8	A. Yes, sir. Yes.
9	MR. NUTTER: So let's at this time call also
10	Case Number 6277, then.
11	MS. TESCHENDORF: Case 6277. Application of
12	Jerome P. McHugh for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba
13	County, New Mexico.
14	MR. NUTTER: And we will consolidate Cases
15	6276 and 6277 for purpose of hearing.
16	Q. May it please the Division, at this time I
17	would like to go ahead and present the exhibits for Case
18	Number 6277 and entitle them A, the number and then dash
19	A, would that be all right?
20	MR. NUTTER: That will be fine.
21	Q. (Mr. Tully continuing.) At this time I'm
22	handing you two more pieces of paper, both of them en-
23	titled Application. Would you please briefly describe
24	these applications, also?
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commingle the Chris 3 and 3-A Well in the Pictured Cliffs and Mesaverde formation in the wellbore.

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Q. Would you please describe the leases that these wells are located on?

A. Okay, these are the --- all of the leases are on the Jicarilla Reservation and they are --- McHugh has the rights through the Mesaverde, all rights through the Mesaverde formation and all of the ownership, royalty and working interests are identical on all leases.

Q. Would you please describe to the Division exactly where these leases are located?

Or these wells are located?

A. Okay. The Chris 3 is located in the northeast quarter of Section 21, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

The 3-A is located in the southeast quarter of Section 21, Township 27 North, Range 3 Mest, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

And the Chris 4 is located in the east half of Section 9, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

Q. I'm now handing you what has been marked as Exhibit Number One and Exhibit Number One-A. Would you please briefly describe these exhibits?

Okay. This is a map of the area that shows

the offset wells and the location of the wells in question, along with the proration unit of the two wells -- of the three wells.

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Q Would you briefly describe for us the drilling operations and your completion efforts on these three wells, the Chris 3, 3-A, and 4?

A. Okay. We moved in in April, latter part of April, and drilled the three wells in succession and completed our drilling operation in the middle of June. We set 4-1/2 casing through the Mesaverde formation on the Chris 3 Well and cemented it in two stages with the cement coming close to the surface. I don't think we got it quite to the surface.

The Chris 3-A and 4 Well was drilled in a similar manner with --- except that the 5-1/2 casing was set from the surface through the Mesaverde formation to TD and cemented in two stages.

MR. NUTTER: Those last two had 5-1/2 and the first had 4-1/2.

Yes, sir.

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## MR. NUTTER: Okay.

A. And we haven't started the completion of any of the wells at this time, waiting on this hearing, among other things that we're waiting on.

Referring back to Exhibit Number One, directing

your attention to that Section 9, it looks like it's a fractional section.

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application for permit to drill that that would be considered
as the north half of that section?

A. Well, yeah. We were, of course, keeping it as far to the east as we could, which was as close to existing production as was possible, and so realizing it was a partial section, assumed that that was the northeast quarter and also that the entire section would be dedicated to the proration unit.

Q. Did you then find out subsequently that this fractional section of Section 9 would be considered as the south half?

A. Yes.

Q. So thus it was your intention that this would probably be the northeast quarter and thus be in compliance with the special rules of the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool, but then subsequently you found out later that this would be considered the south half and thus not in the southwest quarter and thus you would need to come to hearing for an exception to these special rules?

A. Yeah, that's true. Of course, we would have wanted to drill it on the east side, anyway, because of

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the "closeology" theory.

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Q. Do you have anything more to say about this Exhibit Number One?

A. Not at this time.

Q. I'm now handing you what has been marked as Exhibit Number Two. Would you please describe this exhibit for us?

A. This is a cross section AA prime as shown on the little map at the bottom of it, the exhibit, and we have -- are attempting to show with this exhibit that unfortunately the Chris 3, 3-A, and 4 Wells are rather edge wells along an existing trend of Mesaverde production, and also Pictured Cliffs production, so what we have done is duplicated both the Mesaverde and Pictured Cliffs zones from various logs and what we hope to show is that while we are next to some fairly decent existing wells, we are also in close proximity to some dry holes to the west of us, and these logs, particularly the Mesaverde zone in all three wells, aren't -- isn't near as well developed as the wells to the east.

The Pictured Cliffs zone is rather marginal in all of the wells in the area.

MR. NUTTER: Well, now, Mr. Dugan, on this Exhibit Two this lefthand well --

A. Yeah, it's a dry hole.

MR. NUTTER: --- is labeled as the Phillips

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Indian C--3, I think.

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Yeah, it's a dry hole.

MR. NUTTER: Or C-1.

MR. NUTTER: But on the map it shows that as Uh-huh. Α. an El Paso lease. Is that just a change of ownership from

Yeah, that's what it is. It was originally Phillips to drilled in 1952 and Phillips was the operator and in subsequent to '50s the approval of the Pacific Northwest Pipeline, all of their leases was turned over to Pacific Northwest, who in turn merged with El Paso; probably back

13 to Northwest Pipeline now.

MR. NUTTER: Yeah. 14

so this is -- this is an old well. 15

A. MR. NUTTER: Okay.

But it is a dry hole. 17 And there's other dry holes in the immediate

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MR. NUTTER: It was dry in both formations? vicinity. Yes, sir. And then you can see that the Chris 20 3 log isn't a lot different and then as you get back into 21 the production, why, the sands are developed, particularly 22 23 in the Mesaverde, considerably better. 24

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	1	MR. NUTTER: Now, with respect to this same
	2	exhibit, Number Two, the plat on the exhibit shows that
	3	the Mobil 3-A is a location and not a completed well.
	4	A. Yeah, it has since been it has since been,
	5	since this map was made it's been completed or at least it
	6	should have been shown as a completed well on the plat.
	7	MR. NUTTER: I see.
	8	A. Because it is now.
10 T	: <sup>3</sup> 9	MR. NUTTER: It's a producing well?
50YD PORTER (505) 888-3 7501	10	A. Yes. I'm not sure that they've got it hooked
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NALT HORTHA P Road •	12	MR. NUTTER: Now I see perforations in the
SALLY W CERTIFIED SH CERTIFIED SH CERTIFIED SH CERTIFIED SH CERTIFIED SH	13	Mesaverde. I don't see any perforations in the Pictured
SA CER 730 Bisho	14	Cliffs.
~	15	A. Yeah, I don't … I believe it's a single Mesa.
	16	verde.
	17	MR. NUTTER: Then the next well is an old
	18	Magnolia well.
	19	A. Yeah, it's a dual.
	20	MR. NUTTER: And it's got perforations in both
	21 22	zones.
	22	A. Yes, sir.
	24	MR. NUTTER: And then the far right well is
	25	the 5-A, it's got perforations in the Mesaverde and appar-
		ently none in the Pictured Cliffs.

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A. Well, it's a dual. No, it's not either, excuse me. It's a new well that they've drilled fairly recently and it's a Mesaverde single completion.

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MR. NUTTER: Okay.

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A. So the purpose of this exhibit is to show that unfortunately we haven't got the greatest of wells in this thing. Probably be a marginal type completion and our reason --- that's our reason for being down here to try to commingle it.

MR. NUTTER: How good a well did Mobil get in their Number 3-A there in Section 22, do you know? MR. TULLY: Mr. Nutter, if it's possible, could

we hold off that question? We have some more exhibits that can answer that more.

MR. NUTTER: Oh, okay, yeah.

Those are production figures.

MR. TULLY: Yeah, we've got production figures as well as -- for 1977 as well as for April, 1978.

MR. NUTTER: Now are you going to Exhibit Three?

MR. TULLY: Yes.

Q. (Mr. Tully continuing.) Now handing you what has been labeled as Exhibit Number Three. Would you please describe this exhibit for us?
A. Well, this again is a cross section BB prime

as shown on the little plat at the bottom of the cross

section and again we've shown the logs in the Mesaverde and Pictured Cliffs formations, and just as comparison purposes, all of the logs along this western edge of this particular trend are approximately the same.

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And this shows --- and all three wells in question show up on this cross section. That was really the principal reason for making it, to get all three wells logs to

The second well, the northwest -- let's see, show up. we're showing it as Pacific Northwest Corporation's Indian P-1, but it's now a Northwest Pipeline well, but that was off the log head; Pacific drilled it, but it's not a very I think we'll get to that a little later. MR. NUTTER: Now I see on the map here that it's gooá well. got a little symbol "P" by it and in parentheses "PN" but 13 I don't see any perforations in either formation here. 14 15 16

What is that well? Okey, it's a dual; it's a dual completion, I'm 17 Δ.

MR. NUTTER: Pictured Cliffs and Mesaverde? sure. 19 Uh-huh. Although it's -- it's probable or possible that we'll look at that a little bit later. I 20 don't believe the Mesaverde produced, or at least was cap-21 22 23 MR. TULLY: Not in the Pictured Cliffs. able of production. 24

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A. Oh, it's the -- one zone is not producing.
MR. TULLY: Right, it is in the Mesaverde.
A. Yeah. Yes, that is the only -- do you have
any other questions on this?

5 MR. TULLY: Mr. Nutter, do you have any more
6 questions on this particular exhibit at this time?

MR. NUTTER: No, I don't. Go ahead.

Q. (Mr. Tully continuing.) I'm now handing you what has been labeled as Exhibits Four, Four-A, Five and Five-A, would you please describe these exhibits for us?

A. Okay, this is --- this is Pictured Cliffs production from offset wells, showing the cumulative gas that has been produced from the wells and on Four, and cumulative gas and oil on Four-A. On Four that's cumulative gas and oil, also, and Five and Five-A is April, 1978, production.

That's monthly production, so none of the wells are very good, unfortunately.

MR. TULLY: Mr. Nutter, directing your attention to Section 16 on the Pictured Cliffs exhibits you'll note that there is no production shown for the well that you asked about ---

23 MR. NUTTER: But there is Mesaverde zone.
24 MR. TULLY: But there is Mesaverde. We'll be
25 getting to that in just a second.

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Q Do you have anything further to say about these exhibits?

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A. No. I guess the purpose of these exhibits is to show the Pictured Cliffs production in the area, and unfortunately, it's not very good.

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SALLY WALTON BOYD CERTIFIED SHORTHAND REPORTER Bishop's Lodge Road • Phone (505) 588-3 Saria Fe, New Mexico 87501 Q. I'm now handing you what has been marked as Exhibits Six and Seven and Six-A and Seven-A. Would you please identify and ---

A. Okay, this is showing production from the Blanco-Mesaverde horizon and on the offset wells, the cumulative and April, '78 production.

You can note that the Mesaverde is a much better producing horizon and some of the wells are doing guite well.

And you'll also note that the Mobil well that's in the --- let's see, was that the one in 10? MR. NUTTER: That was the one up there in the northwest of 22.

A. Oh, 22, all right, yeah. Northwest of 22, the cumulative production was zero for last -- üp to the first of this year, but in April the well is on. It's a pretty good well.

23 MR. NUTTER: Almost a million a day.
24 A. Yeah. So it must have been -- that must have
25 been its first month's production.

So you can see --- I'm glad to see these figures a little better. It justifies why we drilled the wells. I thought after looking at the Pictured Cliffs, that Pictured Cliffs production, I was wondering why we drilled those wells.

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No, we started out to drill Mesaverde wells and the Mesaverde horizon kind of got away from us there and so we were hoping to make a commercial well by commingling both zones in the wellbore.

MR. NUTTER: Looking at some of these figures, though, there's a possibility of a commercial well in the Mesaverde.

A. Yes. Yes. It's very possible that -- or hopefully, we'll be able to make a fair well in the Mesaverde. Although the logs aren't near as attractive looking as the logs to the west and in the McHugh wells that we have drilled prior to this. They're in Sections 10 and the north half of 15. They're quite good wells.

Q. Is there also some economic considerations involved in commingling these instead of trying to dually complete them at this time?

A. Yes, by commingling in the wellbore as opposed to a dual completion we could save between \$25,000 to \$40,000 per well.

Q Were these exhibits prepared under your super-

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vision and control?

A. Yes.

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SALLY WALTON BOYD CERTIFIED SHCRTHAND REPORTER MR. TULLY: I'd now like to move for the introduction of these exhibits, One through Seven, and One-A through Seven-A, into evidence.

MR. NUTTER: Exhibits One through Seven and One-A through Seven-A -- no, we don't have a Seven-A.

We have an Exhibit One-A and an Exhibit Three-A through Seven-A and Exhibits One through Seven.

MR. TULLY: Yes.

MR. NUTTER: Will be admitted in evidence. Q. In your professional opinion would the proposed commingling of these pools for these three wells result in recovery of additional hydrocarbons, the prevention of waste, and the commingling will not violate correlative rights?

A. Yes, I'm sure that if we're not given permission to commingle in the wellbore, we probably won't attempt a Pictured Cliffs completion, so that gas would at least not be available for production at this time and so it will definitely mean more gas available and yes. The answer is yes.

MR. TULLY: I have no further questions. MR. NUTTER: Are there any further questions of Mr. Dugan? He may be excused. Do you have anything further, Mr. Tully? MR. TULLY: Just one question. Have you received waivers?

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MR. NUTTER: Yes. We do have some waivers here.

We've received a waiver of objection to the No. 4 Well from Southland Royalty.

We've received a waiver of objection the Chris No. 4 from Phillips Petroleum Company.

And we've received a waiver of objection from --to the No. 4 Well from Northwest Pipeline Corporation. MR. TULLY: Have you received any waivers on the Chris Nos. 3 and 3-A?

MR. NUTTER: Well, we may have. Let me look. We've received a waiver on the No. 3 from Mobil and also the 3-A.

We've received a waiver from Northwest Pipeline to the No. 3 and the 3-A, and we've received a waiver from Phillips to the No. 3.

And they said in their letter that they were sending one on the No. 3-A also, but we didn't get it. MR. TULLY: I have a copy of that. I'll present it to you.

Mould you like the original or would you like me to Xerox it or -- we'd like to keep, of course, one

Page for our file. MR. NUTTER: Well, we'll work it all after the hearing and see what we've got, if you've got any waivers we don't have, you can give us copies. MR. TULLY: That's all I have, Mr. Nutter. MR. NUTTER: Okay. Does anyone have anything to offer in cases 6276 or 6277? We'll take the cases under advisement. (Hearing concluded.) SALLY WALTON BOYD CERTIFIED SHORTHAND REPORTER Bishop's Lodge Road - Phone (505) 3851 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501 

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The undersigned states that it waives any objection to this Application, and voluntarily consents to the unorthodox location of the Chris #4 Well as stated in the above mentioned Application.

Dated this 5 day of fully, 1978.

Phillips Petroleum Company Company Name By: Raulalaart Title: Attomey-in-fact Address: 1000 Security Life Bldg. Derner, CD. 80202

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Dated this 25 day offerne , 1978,

Northwest Pipeline Corporation Company Name

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Title: Manager, Production and Drilling

Address: P.O.Box 90

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Page MR. STAMETS: Call next Case 6276. MS. TESCHENDORF: Case 6276. Application of Jerome P. McHugh for an unorthodox gas well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. The Applicant has requested that the case be continued to the August 2nd Hearing. MR. STAMETS: The case will be so continued. (Hearing concluded.) SALLY WALTON BOYD CERTIFEE SHORTHAND REPORTER 730 Bishop's Lodo Road + Phone (505) 388-34 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501 

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Docket No. 23-78

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Dockets Nos. 24-78 and 25-78 are tentatively set for hearing on August 2 and 16, 1978. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

## DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - JULY 19, 1978

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

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

- <u>ALLOWABLE:</u> (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for August, 1978, from fifteen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy, and Chaves Counties, New Mexico.
  - (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for August, 1978, from four prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.
- CASE 6274: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to permit Shar-Alan Oil Company, The Travelers Indemnity Co., and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Lillian State Well No. 2-X located in Unit P of Section 2 and the Emma McDaniel Well No. 2 located in Unit G of Section 22, both in Township 24 North, Range 1 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program.
- CASE 6241: (Continued from June 7, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for downhole commingling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle Eagle Creek Permo-Penn and West Atoka-Morrow gas production in the wellbore of its Powell DG Well No. 1 located in Unit O of Section 35, Township 17 South, Range 25 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

CASE 6275:

Application of Delta Drilling Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox gas well location of its Donaldson "A" Com. Well No. 1 located 1930 feet from the North line and 2303 feet from the West line of Section 23, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, Strawn formation, Eddy County, New Mexico, the W/2 of said Section 23 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 6276: Application of Jerome P. McHugh for an unorthodox gas well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of his Chris Well No. 4 to be drilled 1902 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 9, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, Blanco Mesaverde Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, the S/2 of said Section 9 to be dedicated to the well.

> Applicant further seeks authority to commingle Blanco Mesaverde and Gavilan-Pictured Cliffs production in the wellbore of said well.

CASE 6277:

77: Application of Jerome P. McHugh for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Gavilan Pictured Cliffs and Blanco Mesaverde production in the wellbores of his Chris Wells Nos. 3 and 3A, located in Units H and I of Section 21, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

CASE 6253: (Continued and Readvertised)

Application of Merrion & Bayless for a non-standard proration unit and unorthodox location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 366.44acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the W/2 of Sections 30 and 31, Township 26 North, Range 2 West, Blanco Mesaverde Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 1650 feet from the North line and 750 feet from the East line of said Section 30.

CASE 6278:

Application of Consolidated Oil & Gas, Inc., for a dual completion and downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the dual completion of its Jenney Well No. 1-A located in Unit P of Section 13, Township 26 North, Range 4 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to produce gas from the Blanco Mesaverde Pool and the Basin-Dakota Pool and to commingle Greenhorn gas production with the aforesaid Dakota production in said well.

CASE 6279:

Application of Hanagan Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Morrow formation underlying the N/2 of Section 28, Township 21 South, Range 26 East, Avalon Hills-Morrow Pool, 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. Page 2 of 4 Examiner Hearing - Wednesday - July 19, 1978

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CASE 6280: Application of Energy Reserves Group, Inc., for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs and Otero-Chacra production in the wellbores of its Jicarilla 35 Well No. 6 located in Unit H of Section 1, Township 24 North, Range 5 West, and its Jicarilla 35 Wells Nos. 4 and 5, located in Unit M of Section 35 and Unit J of Section 36, respectively, both in Township 25 North, Range 5 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

<u>CASE 6281:</u> Application of Southern Union Exploration Co. for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the San Andres formation through the perforated interval from 4300 feet to 4346 feet in its Susco State Well No. 3 located in Unit N of Section 19, Township 9 South, Range 33 East, Flying "M" San Andres Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

<u>CASE 6282:</u> In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion for an order abolishing, contracting, extending vertical and horizontal limits, and redesignating certain pools in McKinley, Rio Arriba, Sandoval, and San Juan Counties, New Mexico:

(a) ABOLISH the Ojito-Gallup Oil Pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, described as:

TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST, NMPM Section 17: SW/4

(b) EXTEND the vertical limits of the Ojito-Dakota Oil Pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, described as:

TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST, NMPM Section 17: SW/4 Section 18: SE/4 Section 19: NE/4

to include the Gallup formation and redesignate said pool the Ojito Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool and extend said pool to include therein:

> TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST, NMPM Section 17: NW/4

(c) ABOLISH the Nipp-Pictured Cliffs Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico.

(d) EXTEND the horizontal limits of the WAW Fruitland-Pictured Cliffs Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

> TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, NMPM Section 2: W/2 Section 3: A11 Section 10: N/2 Section 11: W/2 and SE/4 Section 14: NE/4 TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, NMPM E/2 W/2 and SE/4 E/2 and SW/4 Section 5: Section 7: Section 8: Section 16: SW/4 Sections 17 and 18: A11 Section 19: NE/4 Section 20: All Section 21: W/2 and SE/4 Section 22: 5/2 Section 261, SW/4 Sections 27 and 28: All Section 29: N/2 Sections 33, 34 and 35: All

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, NMPM Section 1: N/2 and SE/4 Section 2: NE/4 Section 4: NE/4 Section 12: E/2

TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, NMPM Section 30: SW/4 Page 3 of 4 Examiner Hearing - Wednesday - July 19, 1978

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which includes, among other lands, the lands formerly contained in the Nipp-Pictured Cliffs Pool.

(e) CONTRACT the South Gallegos-Fruitland Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, by deleting:

TOWNSHIP 26	NORTH,	RANGE	12	WEST,	NMPH
Section 8:	N/2				
Section 9:	N/2				
Section 10:	N/2				

(f) EXTEND the Ballard-Pictured Cliffs Pool in Rio Arriba, San Juan, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 23 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST, NMPM Section 7: S/2 Section 8: SW/4

(g) EXTEND the Blanco Mesaverde Pool in Rio Arriba and San Juan Counties, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, NMPM Section 5: SW/4

(h) EXTEND the Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, NMPM Section 9: SE/4

TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH; RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM Section 22: NW/4

(i) EXTEND the South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool in Ric Arriba, San Juan, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico, to include therein:

> TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, NMPM Section 10: All

(j) EXTEND the Bloomfield-Chacra Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMPM Section 9: SW/4

(k) EXTEND the BS Mesa-Gallup Pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, NMPM Section 3: SE/4

(1) The advertised extension of the Chacon-Dakota Associated Pool in Rio Arriba and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico, will be deferred to a later date because of an error in advertising.

(m) EXTEND the Dufers Point Gallup Dakota Oil Fool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, NMPM Section 18: W/2

TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM Section 12: W/2 Section 13: NE/4

(n) EXTEND the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMPM Section 5: SW/4

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(o) EXTEND the South Hospah-Lower Sand Oil Pool in McKinley County, New Mexico, to include therein:

## TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, NHPM Section 6: NW/4 SE/4

#### TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM Section 12: NW/4 NW/4

(p) EXTEND the South Hospah-Upper Sand Oil Pool in McKinley County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP	17	NORTH,	RANGE	8	WEST,	NMPM
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Section 4	8:	NW/4 1	NW/4			

TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM Section 12: NW/4 NW/4

(q) EXTEND the Kutz-Fruitland Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMPM Section 33: NW/4

(r) EXTEND the South Los Pinos Pruitland-Pictured Cliffs Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST, NMPM Section 2: NE/4 Section 10: NE/4

(s) EXTEND the Lybrook-Gallup Oil Pool in Rio Arriba and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico, to include therein:

> TOWNSHIP 23 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST, NMPM Section 8: NW/4

(t) EXTEND the Papers Wash-Entrada Oil Pool in McKinley County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, NMPM Section 15: SE/4 SW/4 Section 16: NE/4 SE/4 Section 22: NE/4 NW/4

(u) The advertised extension of the Rusty-Chacra Pool in Sandoval County, New Mexico, will be deferred to a later date because of an error in advertising.

(v) EXTEND the Ute Dome-Dakota Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

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dugan production corp.  $= d_p \equiv$ Case 6276 Downhole Comminging Comming June 27, 1978 Joe D. Ramey Division Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, NM 87501 Application for Downhole Commingling of Re: the Chris #4 Well (Pictured Cliffs and Mesa Verde) in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico Dear Mr. Ramey: Enclosed are the forlowing instruments concerning the Application for Approval of Downhole Commingling by Jerome P. McHugh for the Chris #4 Well located in the S/2 of Section 9, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. 1. Three copies of the Application. 2. Three copies of a Certificate of Mailing stating that all operators

of leases offsetting the dedicated acreage for this well, the U.S. Geological Survey, and the Supervisor of the District III Office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division have been notified of this Application.

We would appreciate it if you will place this Application for hearing on July 19, 1978.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation in this matter. Please advise if you need further information.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Dugan Agent for Applicant

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#### OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

In the Matter of the Application of Jerome P. McHugh for Downhole Commingling of the Chris #4 Well in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

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Case 6276

# APPLICATION

Pursuant to Rule 303 C of the Rules and Regulations of the State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, the Applicant, Jerome P. McHugh, by and through his agent, Thomas A. Dugan, hereby makes application for approval of downhole commingling in the well bore of the Chris #4 Well in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

The Applicant further states:

1. The Operator of the Chris #4 Well is the Applicant Jerome P.

McHugh.

2. The Chris #4 Well is located on Jicarilla Apache Tribal Contract No. 90 insofar as it covers the following described lands:

> Township 27 North, Range 3 West, NMPM Section 9: SE/4 (Gavilan Pictured Cliffs Extension) Section 9: S/2 (Blanco Mesa Verde) Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

3. The legal location of the well is as follows: <u>Township 27 North, Range 3 West, NMPM</u> <u>Section 9: 1902' FSL - 1650' FEL</u> Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

4. The Chris #4 Well is not currently dually completed in the Gavilan Pictured Cliffs Extension Pool and the Blanco Mesa Verde Pool.

5. The Chris #4 Well is capable of only low marginal production from the Gavilan Pictured Cliffs Extension Pool, and the well is also only capable of low marginal production from the Blanco Mesa Verde Pool.

6. The ownership of the above mentioned Pools is common.

7. The proposed commingling from the above Pools will result in

the recovery of additional hydrocarbons from each of these Pools thereby preventing waste, and the commingling will not violate correlative rights. WHEREFORE, the Applicant requests this Application be set for hearing on July 19, 1978 and that after this hearing the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division grant this Application by giving approval to the downhole commingling of the Chris #4 Well in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

Respecfully submitted,

Thomas A. Dugan Agent for Applicant P.O. Box 234 Farmington, NM 87401

# CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that I mailed a copy of the Application for Downhole Commingling of the Chris #4 Well in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico to all Operators of leases offsetting the dedicated acreage for this well, the U.S. Geological Survey, and the Supervisor of the District III Office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division on the 27th day of June, 1978.

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June 27, 1978

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Joe D. Ramey Division Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Box 2088 Santa Fe, NM 87501

Re: Application for Unorthodox Location of the Chris #4 Well in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Ramey:

unor thoday case 6276 Juit Enclosed are the following items regarding the application for approval of an exception to the Blanco Mesa Verde Gas Pool Rules by Jerome P. McHugh. This application concerns a request for an unorthodox location of the Chris #4 Well in the SE/4 of Section 9, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

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- Three copies of the Application by Jerome P. McHugh for an Unorthodox 1. Location of the Chris #4 Well.
- 2. Three copies of a Certificate of Mailing stating that all operators of leases offsetting the dedicated acreage for this well, the U.S. Geological Survey, and the Supervisor of the District III Office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division have been notified of this Application.

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# STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 6276

Order No. R- (3.29)

APPLICATION OF JEROME P. MCHUGH FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 2, 1978, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 1980, the Division Director, having considered the record and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

That the subject matter of this case has become moot and the case should be <u>dismissed</u>.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 6276 is hereby dismissed.

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