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Applicant:

CASE NO.

ORDER NO. R-1475-A

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Texaco Inc.

Dear Sir:

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

Re:

Yours very truly, JOE D. RAMEY Director

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO EMERGY 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. 6296 Order No. R-1475-A

APPLICATION OF TEXACO INC. FOR AN UNORTHODOX LOCATION AND SIMULTANEOUS DEDICATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 16, 1978, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 20th day of September, 1978, the Division Director, 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 Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Texaco Inc., seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location for its A. H. Blinebry Fed. (NCT-4) Well No. 3 located 700 feet from the South line and 2100 feet from the East line of Section 31, Township 22 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Tubb Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That the S/2 S/2 of said Section 31, a previously approved non-standard proration unit, is to be simultaneously dedicated to the aforesaid well and to applicant's A. H. Blinebry Fed. (NCT-4) Well No. 1 located in Unit F of said Section 31.

(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 Tubb Gas Pool is hereby approved for the Texaco Inc. A. H. Blinebry Fed. (NCT-4) Well No. 3 located at a point 700 feet from the South line and 2100 feet from the East line of Section 31, Township 22 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Tubb Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

(2) That the S/2 S/2 of said Section 31 shall be simultaneously dedicated to the above-described well and to applicant s A. H. Blinebry Fed. (NCT-4) Well No. 1 located in Unit P of said Section 31.

(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

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



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	20	For Texaco, Inc.:	William Booker Kelly, Esq. WHITE, KOCH, KELLY & McCARTHY
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A. Yes, sir. Gulf Oil, Amoco Production Company, Union Texas Petroleum Division, Allied Chemical Corporation, Southland Royalty Company, Cities Service Oil Company. We sent waivers to all five companies and to date we've received three of the waivers back approved.

MR. KELLY: Mr. Examiner, are there any other Waivers that the Commission has received?

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Anything further in this case?

MR. KELLY: Nothing further.

MR. STAMETS: Take the case under advisement.

(Hearing concluded.)

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REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

I, SALLY WALTON BOYD, a Court Reporter, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the Oil Conservation Division was reported by me; that the said transcript is a full, true, and correct record of the hearing, prepared by me to the best of my ability, knowledge, and skill, from my notes taken at the time of the hearing.

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I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the preceedings in the Examiner hearing of Case No. 6296 Nickay A. 1975

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Page 2 of 6 Examiner Mearing - Wednesday - August 16, 1978

CASE 6296:

Docket No. 26-78

CASE 6287: (Continued from August 2, 1978, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Jack A. Cole for an unorthodox gas well location, Sandoval County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of his Apache Flats Well No. 11, located 1712 feet from the South line and 1223 feet from the East line of Section 28, Township 23 North, Range 4 West, Ballard-Pictured Cliffs Pool, Sandoval County, New Mexico.

CASE 6295: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for special pool rules, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the promulgation of special pool rules for the Austin-Mississippian Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to provide for 320-acre spacing rather than 160 acres. In the absence of objection, this pool will be placed on the standard 320-acre spacing for deep gas pools.

> In the alternative, the applicant seeks to limit the 160-acre spacing rules of said Austin-Mississippian Gas Pool to the present horizontal limits of the pool.

Application of Texaco Inc. for an unorthodox location and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its A. H. Blinebry Fed. (NCT-4) Well No. 3 located 700 feet from the South line and 2100 feet from the East line of Section 31, Township 22 South, Range 38 East, Tubb Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, the S/2 S/2 of said Section 31 to be simultaneously dedicated to the aforesaid well and to applicant's A. H. Blinebry Fed. (NCT-4) Well No. 1 located in Unit P of said Section 31.

<u>CASE 6297:</u> In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion for an order creating, contracting, and extending certain pools in Chaves, Eddy, and Lea Counties, New Mexico:

(a) CREATE a new pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Atoka production and designated as the Indian Flats-Atoka Gas Pool. The discovery well is Perry R. Bass Big Eddy Unit Well No. 41 located in Unit J of Section 35. Township 21 South, Range 28 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

> TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, NMPM Section 35: E/2

(b) CREATE a new pool in Chaves County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for San Andres production and designated as the South Lonesome-San Andres Pool. The discovery well is Flag-Redfern Oil Company Wilson Well No. 1 located in Unit A of Section 31, Township 8 South, Range 32 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, NMPM Section 31: NE/4

(c) CREATE a new pool in Chaves County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Morrow production and designated as the Many Gates-Morrow Gas Pool. The discovery well is Amoco Production Company State DQ Well No. 1 located in Unit C of Section 32, Township 9 South, Range 30 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NMPM Section 32: N/2

(d) CREATE a new pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Wolfcamp production and designated as the Millman-Wolfcamp Gas Pool. The discovery well is Depco, Inc. DHY State B Well No. 1 located in Unit L of Section 11, Township 19 South, Range 28 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, NMPM Section 11: W/2

(e) CREATE a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Morrow production and designated as the South Shoe Bar-Morrow Gas Pool. The discovery well is HNG Oil Company Shoe Bar Ranch "3" Well No. 1 located in Unit C of Section 3, Township 17 South, Range 35 East, NMPH, Said pool would comprise:

TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, NMPM Section 3: N/2

(f) CREATE a new pool in Lea County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Strawn production and designated as the Wilson-Strawn Pool. The discovery well is Dorchester Exploration, Inc. Wilson State Com Well No. 1 located in Unit I of Section 13, Township 21 South, Range 34 East, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

> TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST; NMPM Section 13: SE/4



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NONSTANDARD LOCATION AND SEMULTANEOUS DEDICATION

A. H. Blinebry Fed. (NCT-4) No. 3 Case No. 6296 - 8/16/78 Hearing

State of New Mexico Department of Energy & Minerals Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

ATTENTION: MR. R. L. STAMETS

Gentlemen:

A. H. Blinebry Federal (NCT-4) Well No. 3 was originally completed as an oil well in the Blinebry Oil pool. As a result, Commission approval for a nonstandard location was not required; therefore, no Commission Order has previously been issued for the subject well.

Enclosed are Waivers of Objection for this nonstandard location and simultaneous dedication of A. H. Blinebry Federal (NCT-4) No. 3 received from Gulf Oil Corporation and Union Texas Petroleum. The waiver from Amoco Production Company has not been received as of this date.

Yours very truly,

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J. V. Gannon District Superintendent

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Enclosures

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WAIVER OF OBJECTION NONSTANDARD LOCATION AND SIMULTANEOUS DEDICATION A. H. Blinebry Fed. (NCT-4) No. 3 Lea County, New Mexico

State of New Mexico Energy & Minerals Department Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

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Application of Texaco Inc. for an unorthodox location and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Maxico

Order No. R- 1475-A

New Mexico.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING

CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 16, 1978, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets. NOW, on this day of August, 1978, the Division

Director, 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 Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Texaco Inc., seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location for its A. H. Blinebry Fed. (NCT-4) Well No. 3 located 700 feet from the South line and 2100 feet from the East line of Section 31, Township 22 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, GREEter

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(5) That no offset operator objacted to the proposed unorthodox location.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That an unorthodox gas well location for the <u>Tubb Gos Pool</u> <u>formation</u> is hereby approved for the Texaco Inc. A. H. Blinebry Fed. (NCT-4) Well No. 3 located at a point 700 feet from the South line and 2100 feet from the East line of Section 31, Township 22 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Tubb Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

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