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A. R. Reed Division Operations Superintendent

September 27, 1978

File: CGF(3)-4167-WF

Re: Williams Gas Com Well No. 1 Compulsory Pooling (Case No. 6302) N/2 Section 25, T-23-S, R-28-E Eddy County, New Mexico

WORKING INTEREST AND MINERAL INTEREST OWNERS

Reference our letter of August 23, 1978, File: CGF(4)-3522-WF, advising of a hearing before the Oil Conservation Division of the State of New Mexico Energy and Minerals Department in Santa Fe, New Mexico on August 30, 1978. As a result of that hearing, Order No. R-5813 was issued on September 20, 1978, pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the N/2, Section 25, T-23-S, R-28-E, Eddy County, New Mexico.

In compliance with Order No. R-5813, attached is an "Itemized Schedule of Estimated Well Costs." This is the same cost schedule furnished you by previous correspondence.

Yours very truly,

Original Signed A.R. REED

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cc: New Mexico Department of Energy and Minerals
Oil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, NM 87501
Attention: Mr. Daniel S. Nutter

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Amoco Production Company

500 Jefferson Building P.O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

ADDRESS AND OWNERSHIP LIST 10 Acres - SE/4 SE/4 NW/4 Section 25 T-23-S, R-28-E Eddy County, New Mexico

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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. 6302 Order No. R-5813

APPLICATION OF AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 30, 1978, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>20th</u> 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, Amoco Production Company, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the N/2 of Section 25, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(3) That the applicant has the right to drill and proposes to drill a well at a non-standard location, thereon, said location having previously been approved.

(4) That there are interest owners in the proposed proration unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.

(5) That to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to protect correlative rights, and to afford to the owner of each interest in said unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the gas in said pool, the subject application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests, whatever they may be, within said unit. Case No. 6302 Order No. R-5813

(6) That the applicant should be designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

(7) That any non-consenting working interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production.

(8) That any non-consenting working interest owner that does not pay his share of estimated well costs should have withheld from production his share of the reasonable well costs plus an additional 200 percent thereof as a reasonable charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well.

(9) That any non-consenting interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to object to the actual well costs but that actual well costs should be adopted as the reasonable well costs in the absence of such objection.

(10) That following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs should pay to the operator any amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and should receive from the operator any amount that paid estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.

(11) That \$2000.00 per month while drilling and \$279.00 per month while producing should be fixed as reasonable charges for supervision (combined fixed rates); that the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of such supervision charges attributable to each non-consenting working interest, and in addition thereto, the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of actual expenditures required for operating the subject well, not in excess of what are reasonable, attributable to each non-consenting working interest.

(12) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason should be placed in escrow to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership.

(13) That upon the failure of the operator of said pooled unit to commence drilling of the well to which said unit is dedicated on or before November 1, 1978, the order pooling said unit should become null and void and of no effect whatsoever.

-3-Case No. 6302 Order No. R-5813

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That all mineral interests, whatever they may be, in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the N/2 of Section 25, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, are hereby pooled to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a nonstandard location thereon, said location having previously been approved.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the operator of said unit shall commence the drilling of said well on or before the first day of November, 1978, and shall thereafter continue the drilling of said well with due diligence to a depth sufficient to test the Pennsylvanian formation;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that in the event said operator does not commence the drilling of said well on or before the first day of November, 1978, Order (1) of this order shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever, unless said operator obtains a time extension from the Division for good cause shown.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that should said well not be drilled to completion, or abandonment, within 120 days after commencement thereof, said operator shall appear before the Division Director and show cause why Order (1) of this order should not be rescinded.

(2) That Amoco Production Company is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

(3) That after the effective date of this order and within 30 days prior to commencing said well, the operator shall furnish the Division and each known working interest owner in the subject unit an itemized schedule of estimated well costs.

(4) That within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him, any non-consenting working interest owner shall have the right to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production, and that any such owner who pays his share of estimated well costs as provided above shall remain liable for operating costs but shall not be liable for risk charges.

(5) That the operator shall furnish the Division and each known working interest owner an itemized schedule of actual well costs within 90 days following completion of the well; that if no objection to the actual well costs is received by the Division and the Division has not objected within 45 days following receipt -4-Case No. 6302 Order No. R-5813

of said schedule, the actual well costs shall be the reasonable well costs; provided however, that if there is an objection to actual well costs within said 45-day period the Division will determine reasonable well costs after public notice and hearing.

(6) That within 60 days following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs in advance as provided above shall pay to the operator his pro rata share of the amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and shall receive from the operator his pro rata share of the amount that estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.

(7) That the operator is hereby authorized to withhold the following costs and charges from production:

- (A) The pro rata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him.
- (B) As a charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well, 200 percent of the pro rata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him.

(8) That the operator shall distribute said costs and charges withheld from production to the parties who advanced the well costs.

(9) That \$2000.00 per month while drilling and \$279.00 per month while producing are hereby fixed as reasonable charges for supervision (combined fixed rates); that the operator is hereby authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of such supervision charges attributable to each non-consenting working interest, and in addition thereto, the operator is hereby authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of actual expenditures required for operating such well, not in excess of what are reasonable, attributable to each non-consenting working interest.

(10) That any unsevered mineral interest shall be considered a seven-eighths (7/8) working interest and a one-eighth (1/8) royalty interest for the purpose of allocating costs and charges under the terms of this order. -5-Case No. 6302 Order No. R-5813

(11) That any well costs or charges which are to be paid out of production shall be withheld only from the working interests share of production, and no costs or charges shall be withheld from production attributable to royalty interests.

(12) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason shall immediately be placed in escrow in Eddy County, New Mexico, to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership; that the operator shall notify the Division of the name and address of said escrow agent within 30 days from the date such funds are first deposited with said escrow agent.

(13) 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.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION JOE D. RAMEY Director

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ITEMIZED SCHEDULE OF ESTIMATED WELL COSTS			
Location 560' FNL & 1980' FWL, Sec. 25, Zone of Compl. !	lorrow	Depth 13,300	
T-23-S, R-28-E, Eddy Co., New Mexico INTANGIBLES	PRODUCER	DRY HOLE	
Drilling Cost (Footage) Ft. @KRD	40,000	40,000	
Day Work & Drill Pip: Rental 90 Days @ \$ 4100	369,000	369,000	
Cable Tools or Comp. Unit Days @ \$	15,000		
Surveys	45,000	45,000	
Max2(OIL)	125,000	125,000	
Stimulations, Size	20,000		
Rouds & Bridges Grading	15,000	15,000	
OTHER:	629,000	594,000	
Coring Equipment			
Perforating Shots	5,000	-	
Scratchers and Centralizers			
Company Labor	45,000	42,000	
Contract Labor			
Fuel and Water	20,000	18,000	
Digging Pits Filling Pits	4,000	4,000	
Trucking	15,000	12,000	
Cementing Services		Å	
Cement for Casing Sacks	65,000	55,000	
Guide Shoes, Float Shoes and Collars			
Bits and Reamers	50,000	50,000	
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A. R. Reed Davision Operations Supermittendent September 1, 1978

File: CGF(4)-3533-WF

Re: Williams Gas Com Well No. 1 Section 25, T-23-S, R-28-E, Eddy County, New Mexico

Mineral Interest Owners Address List Attached

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to previous correspondence on the above subject ending with Amoco Production Company's letter of August 23, 1978, File: CGF(4)-3522-WF, advising of our plans to drill the Williams Gas Com Well No. 1 on the NW/4 of Section 25, T-23-S, R-28-E, Eddy County, New Mexico. Also, by previous letter of August 7, 1978, File: CGF(4)-3435-WF, we had requested your approval to either join Amoco as a working interest owner in the drilling of this well or agreeing to lease your interest to Amoco. We furnished a "Well Authorization" form which included estimated drilling costs for the subject well.

We now feel that you might desire a more detailed cost estimate for this drilling and therefore are furnishing for your information a copy of our worksheet which provides a more detailed cost for drilling this well. This data is being furnished to all concerned for information purposes only.

Yours very WJW/tc 5/7554

Attachment

bCC: Mr. D. S. Nutter Hew Mexico Department of Energy & Minerals 011 Conservation Division P. O. Box 2088 Santa Feg. NM 87501

BN: Attached are three (3) copies of Amoco's Exhibits No. 3 and 4, Case No. 6302.

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	Pauline R. Swearingen 229 South Fern Wichita, Kansas 67213	1/64
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EDDY OFFSET TO Pardue fains T/ - Location (So. Callebre Bloff Area) zone of Compl.	Morrow	_ Depth <u>13300</u>
INTANGIBLES	PRODUCER	DRY HOLE
Drilling Cost (Footage) Ft. @ NITHUXRD	40000	40000
Day Work & Drill Pipe Rental 90 Days @ \$4100	369000	367000
Cable Tools or Comp. Unit Days @ \$ Comp	15000	
Sarveys	45000	45000
14-,3 (OIL)	125000	125000
Stimulations, Size	20000	
Roads & Bridges	15000	15000
OTHER: BEFORE EXAMINER NUTTER	629000	594000
Coring Equipment OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION		
Perforating CADOLAIO. 6302	5000	
Scratchers and Centralizers		
Company Labor:	45000	42000
Contract Labor		72000
Riel and Water	20000	12000
Digging Pits Filling Pits	4000	4000
Trucking	15000	12000
Cementing Services		
Cement for Casing Sacks	65000	5300
Quide Shoes, Float Shoes and Collars		
Bits and Reamers	50.000	50000
Drill Stem Tests No. Tests	15000	15000
Miscellaneous	50000	45000
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OTHER: BEFORE EXAMINER NUTTER	629000	594000
Coring Equipment OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION		
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Company Labor	45000	42000
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Application of Amoco Production Com-) pany for compulsory pooling, Eddy) County, New Mexico.)

BEFORE: Daniel S. Nutter

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

APPEARANCES

For the Oil Conservation Division:

For the Applicant:

Lynn Teschendorf, Esq. Legal Counsel for the Division State Land Office Bldg. Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

CASE

6302

Guy Buell, Esq. AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY Post Office Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

Page_ MR. NUTTER: Case 6302. Call now Case Number 1 6302. 2 MS. TESCHENDORF: Case 6302. Application of 3 Amoco Production Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, 4 New Mexico. 20 5 MR. BUELL: May it please the Examiner, for the 6 Applicant, Amoco Production Company, my name is Guy Buell. 7 We have two witnesses, Mr. Examiner. Would you 8 like to swear them simultaneously? 9 MR. NUTTER: Yes, please. 10 (Witnesses sworn.) 11 MR. BUELL: We call first Mr. Allen. 12 13 J. C. ALLEN 14 being called as a witness and having been duly sworn upon 15 his oath, testified as follows, to-wit: 16 17 DIRECT EXAMINATION 18 BY MR. BUELL: 19 Mr. Allen, would you state your name, by whom Q. 20 you're employed, and in what capacity? And at what location, 21 please, sir? 22 Yes, sir. My name is James Allen. I am a staff A. 23 engineer with Amoco Production Company in Houston, Texas. 24 Mr. Allen, you've testified before this body on Q. 25

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A. Yes, sir.

Q. Your qualifications as a petroleum engineer are a matter of public record?

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A. Yes, sir.

MR. BUELL: Any questions, Mr. Examiner? MR. NUTTER: No questions about Mr. Allen, but we're wondering if Mr. Buell has an appearance here.

MR. BUELL: I'm supposed to be certified, Mr. Examiner, by Atwood and Malone. Syliva, Charlie Malone's secretsry, assured me that it would be in your file this morning when I appeared.

MR. NUTTER: Don't have it.

MR. BUELL: Mike, would you mind entering an appearance with me? I assure you I'll take great pains not to embarrass you. It would be a temporary appearance in that I'm sure Sylvia will come through and it's on its way.

MR. CAMPBELL: All right, Mr. Examiner, on behalf of Amoco I would enter an appearance of Michael Campbell of Campbell, Bingaman, and Black, and would ask recognition of the Examiner for Mr. Buell to conduct the questions of the witnesses.

MR. NUTTER: All right, Mr. Buell is now qualified. Mr. Allen is already qualified.

Okay, please proceed.

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Q (Mr. Buell continuing.) Mr. Allen, in connection with your testimony here today, look first, please, at what has been identified as Applicant's Exhibit One. Whatis that exhibit?

A. Exhibit Number One is a map of a portion of an area in Eddy County, New Mexico, which Amoco refers to as the Teledyne area.

8 0. All right, sir, how have you highlighted the
9 particular 320 acres that we're interested in today?
10 A. That is outlined in red in the north half of
11 Section 25.

12 Q. All right, sir. Have you showed the approximate
13 location of the test well that we propose to drill on this
14 320-acre unit?

A. Yes, sir, it's identified by a small red dot.
Q. And for the record, would you locate it precisely please?

A. That proposed well, the Williams Gas Com is located 560 feet from the north line and 1930 feet from the west line.

Q. Now this well is a proposed test of the Penn formation, is it not?

A. That is correct.

What is the total projected depth, do you know?
A. I believe the projected depth is 13,300 feet.

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MR. NUTTER: How many feet did you say from the north line?

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say.

MR. NUTTER: That wouldn't be a standard location,

MR. BUELL: I'm going into that next, Mr. Examiner. MR. NUTTER: Okay, let's hear what you have to

(Mr. Buell continuing.) The total depth of Q. 10 13,300 should take it through the Morrow, should it not? A. Yes, sir.

12 Mr. Allen, as the Examiner has noted, this is 0. 13 a 100 feet off of an orthodox location pattern. Why is 14 that?

This well is located 100 feet from the standard A. or orthodox location due to a concrete irrigation canal which runs generally in a south-southwest/north-northeast direction through the 330 foot square which would be an ortho dox location.

Is there currently pending before this commission 20 Q. 21 a request for administrative approval of this 100-foot off 22 pattern location because of topo reasons?

> А. Yes, sir.

24 Is it your information that most, if not all, of **Q.** 25 the offsetting operators have already advised the Commission

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Page _____ they have no objection to this 100-foot variation? 1 2 A. It's my understanding that two of the four have 3 so notified them. MR. BUELL: Off the record. 4 (There followed a discussion off 5 the record.) 6 7 MR. NUTTER: How many feet from the west line was it? 8 9 1980. A. 10 MR. BUELL: We just had to move it 100 feet to BOY 11 the north, Mr. Examiner. WALTON 12 (Mr. Buell continuing.) Mr. Allen, we're going ĝ 13 to have a later witness that will testify in detail as to SALL 14 the ownership in this 320-acre unit, but roughly, how much 8 15 acreage does Amoco control? 16 Λ, 270 acres. 17 Q. And who is the next largest acreage holder? A. Maddox Energy Company with 40 acres. 18 And I believe that's --- that 40 acres is all in 19 Q. the northwest quarter of Section 25 and is kind of in the 20 shape of an upside-down "L". 21 22 Yes, sir. A. I notice a tract identified as W. Swearingen. 23 О. 24 How many acres are in that tract? That's ten acres, sir, being the southeast south-25 Λ.

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east of the northwest guarter of Section 25.

Q. Is it your information that Maddox Energy Company has agreed to participate in the drilling of this well?
 A. Yes, sir, it's my understanding that they have executed our AFE.

Q. All right, sir, now looking to the northwest of our proposed location, I see a large red dot that's superimposed over a gas well symbol. Would you identify that well, please?

A. Yes, sir, this is the Delta Drilling Company South Calibre Bluff Well No. 1, which was a discovery well in this area after a blowout.

And it is a little over a mile northwest of our proposed location.

A. That is correct.

9. Has this well indicated a tremendous ability and capacity to produce gas?

A. Yes, it has. To the best of our knowledge,
the cumulative production is already exceeded approximately
6 Bcf. The well is capable of delivering 18 to 20 million
a day.

Q. All right, sir, now I notice a little nearer our proposed location another large red dot superimposed over a gas well symbol. Would you identify that well, please?

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	1	A. Yes, sir, this is the Amoco Pardue Farms Well		
	2	No. 1.		
	3	Q. What formation is that well completed in?		
	4	M. It's completed in the Strawn Formation.		
-	5	Is there a possibility that both the producing		
	6	wells that are shown on this exhibit are producing from the		
	7	same common gas pool?		
	8	A. Wes, there is. We believe that the Delta well		
s s s	9	blew out just as it encountered the top of the Atoka; however		
	10	being a blowout, it could be producing from both or either		
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	12	2. Is there a good possibility that this common		
Lotipe Ru te for NL	13	pool would extend into the north half of Section 25 where		
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8	15	A Yes, sir, we believe there is a very strong		
	16	possibility.		
	17	Q. What about the Amoco Pardue Farms, is it another		
	18	excellent producer?		
	19	A. Yes, sir, it's a very prolific well. It went		
	20	on the line on the 21st of July selling between 16 to 18		
	21	million cubic feet a day at about 3300 pounds flowing tubing		
	22	pressure.		
	23	Q 3800 pounds flowing tubing pressure?		
	24	A. That's correct.		
	25	2. So it is an excellent well.		

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9. With producing characteristics of that type, does that give you as an engineer any indication as to the permeability of the reservoir from which these two wells are producing?

 A. It indicates that we have very good permeability in this area in the Strawn.

And in these circumstances with excellent permeability if the pool does extend into the north half of Section 25, if that unit is not developed could drainage occur?

A. Yes, sir, in my opinion it could.

Q. In your opinion as an engineer should a well be drilled in the north half of 25 as quickly as possible to preclude the drainage of gas from that unit and therefore violate correlative rights?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Now, do you have any other guestions --- or let me ask you this. In view of the necessity to get going in the north half of Section 25, do you have any idea as to when Amoco will have a rig available with which to drill a test well?

A. Yes, we will -- we do have a rig drilling now in Section 17, 23 South, 29 East, which will be available within the next two weeks for drilling this well.

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And it's Amoco's intention to move that rig to Ô. this location?

That is correct. A.

Э. In view of the drainage that could occur, is it Amoco's intention if that rig becomes available prior to the Commission acting on our application here today, that we will commence a well even if the Commission hasn't acted? Α. Yes, sir, it is.

0. All right, sir, any other comments on Exhibit One?

No, sir. Λ.

12 Turn then, if you would, to what has been ident-0, 13 ified as our Exhibit Number Two. What is that exhibit? 14 Exhibit Number Two is an itemized schedule of Å. 15 anticipated costs to drill Williams Gas Com Well No. 1. 16 This cost figure has been furnished to all prospective ---17 all parties concerned in this well.

18 Q. Mr. Allen, the data on this exhibit are more or 19 less self-explanatory. You might state for the record the cost that we predict, or estimate, for a dry hole as well as a producer.

Yes, sir, the anticipated cost to drill a dry Α. hole were 1.123 million and 1.3 million for a producing gas well.

Mr. Allen, do you have available to you what

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Amoco's cost for supervision will be with respect to both while the well is drilling and then if it is a producer, subsequent to production?

I believe that we will request \$2,790 per month A. while drilling; \$279 per month while producing.

All right, sir. Do you have a recommendation to 0, the Commission as to who should be the operator of this well? Yes, sir, I recommend that Amoco be designated A.

operator being the majority interest holder in this area.

10 Mr. Allen, I'm going to recommend to the Com-0. 11 mission that in the order they leave an option open to those 12 interests that are not yet committed to participate, the 13 option to either join or lease until November 1, 1978. Do you have any engineering objection to that recommendation? No, sir, none whatsoever. Ā.

If we get the rig over the hole, say, in two Q, weeks, by November 1, '78 will it be deep enough that we would in effect giving anyone a free ride or a free peek at our objective depth?

A. No, sir.

Do you have anything else you'd like to add at 0, this time, Mr. Allen?

> No, sir, I don't. A.

MR. BUELL: May it please the Examiner, that's all we have by way of direct of Mr. Allen. I would like to

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formally offer our exhibits, One and Two.

MR. NUTTER: Amoco's exhibits One and Two will be admitted in evidence.

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CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. NUTTER:

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Mr. Allen, you mentioned that you would suggest
 a combined rate of \$2790 per month --- per day --- per month
 while drilling and \$279 per month while producing.

That's a factor of 10-to-1. Are you aware that the Commission normally has restricted that to no more than 5-to-1?

A No. sir, I am not --- have not been aware of that. This is a figure which is generated out of our accounting department based primarily on depth figures which they're familiar with. The only -- the only instances which I have noted, or have looked at, forced pooling in this area, was a factor of 10-t0-1, so I was not aware that it was less. Q I realize that some companies do use a figure

of 10-to-1 over producing rates, or drilling rates.

Also, it appears that your authorization tabulation here, Mr. Allen, is not very detailed. I wonder if you could furnish us with a more detailed breakdown of what these various costs are? You mentioned that you're going to run so many feet of various sized casing but you don't say what the cost per foot is or what -- how the total \$282,000 would be allocated among the various casing sizes.

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A. Mr. Examiner, I have a detailed worksheet showing how each one of these items were arrived at and I will be glad to have this reproduced and furnished to you.

<u>0</u>, I think that would be appropriate as an exhibit. I think, also, that that should be sent to the offset operators or to the -- to the other interested parties in this well. Who is being pooled here, Mr. Buell?

10 MR. BUELL: We'll cover that with our next wit-11 ness, Mr. Examiner. In the little 10-acre tract, the Swearingen 12 tract, that we were talking about, there are 31 individual 13 owners in that tract.

14 MR. NUTTER: And they would be working interest 15 owners?

16 MR. BUELL: I think right now they're going through the agonies of decision as to whether to become for the first time in their lives an oil and gas operator as a working interest owner, or to execute a lease. One of them has executed a lease. That lessee has indicated to us that he will either join or farm out to us. So there are a total of 32 interests in that small tract. We have indications from two of them, the lessor and the lessee of a small acreage, that they will either join or farm out. We've had indications from some of the remaining 30 that I was going

to cover in --- with our next witness. And that's the reason I made the recommendation I did to you, Mr. Examiner, that we keep their option open to either join or lease until November 1, '78, because as inexperienced persons, they are having a tough time making up their mind.

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MR. NUTTER: Now this November the 1st might be adequate if you were able to move a rig on the well right away. That would give them some time in which to make up their minds. But supposing you can't get the well started for some little period of time, there's a delay in getting the rig, you should lose this rig for some reason or another that's on the other hole?

MR. BUELL: But they'd still have the same 13 period of time, Mr. Examiner, to decide. Admittedly, if we're delayed in getting the rig on, the well wouldn't be drilling, but I assure you, we're going to get a rig on as quickly as possible. The reason I recommend is -- the November 1, '78, we anticipate it will take approximately three months to drill this well to total depth, and we figured, or I figured, by November 1 of '78 that it wouldn't be deep enough that in effect it would be giving anyone a free ride, which I don't think is fair.

But I'd certainly have no objection to November the 15th, '78, or just so long as the well wouldn't be at total depth.

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MR. NUTTER: Normally, of course, the order of the Commission provides that after the date of entry of the order and within thirty days prior to commencement of the well, you would furnish all the proposed working interest owners with a cost estimate of what it's going to cost. Then they have thirty days after that in which to either join or ---

MR. BUELL: Yes, sir.

MR. NUTTER: --- not join.

MR. BUELL: I have never seen an order of yours where you gave them the option of leasing. You give them the option of joining or being carried at a risk penalty.

MR. NUTTER: Right.

MR. BUELL: I'd like to give these people, since they are inexperienced in the oil and gas business, the opportunity to lease if they would like. I guess they could do that whether the order provides for that or not.

MR. NUTTER: I kind of hate to tie it to one specific date, too, November 1st.

20 MR. BUELL: I just don't want to give any of 21 them a free peek. With experienced oil people, like Maddox 22 Energy Company, they immediately decided to join. It was 23 no problem for them. But these inexperience people, as you 24 can imagine, Mr. Examiner, are having an agonizing time 25 deciding.

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MR. NUTTER: Now, aside from the Swearingen tract and the Maddox tract, there are three other tracts, and I presume Amoco is the sole working interest owner in these other tracts.

> MR. BUELL: Yes, sir.

MR. NUTTER: So you're only talking about Maddox and they have joined.

MR. BUELL: They have not executed an operating agreement. They have executed the AFE, the authorization to drill a well, and we're currently preparing an operating agreement.

12 MR. NUTTER: Well, then they haven't approved 13 this \$279 and \$2790 for combined fixed rates, either, then. It would be in the operating agreement.

15 MR. BUELL: It would be in the operating agree-16 ment. So to that extent you're right, in that it is being 17 completed almost this minute, Mr. Examiner.

But those are our standard charges.

19 MR. NUTTER: Okay, now you're going to give 20 us a breakdown on the cost thing, are you not?

Yes, sir, I am. I'll give you a detailed copy A. of that, although we have furnished this AFE.

MR. BUELL: Let me have it. Why I don't have this identified as our Exhibit Number Three, Mr. Examiner, and then ask for authority to withdraw it from file so we

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1 can make a copy so we'll have an identical copy. MR. NUTTER: Let's see if that's the type of 2 3 information that I'm looking for. 4 Yeah, I think this is the type of information 5 we want. The information that's on here adds up to the 6 figures that were put on Exhibit ---7 A. Yes, sir, it does. 8 Okay, fine. That is Exhibit Three, then. 0. 9 MR. BUELL: Yes, identified as Exhibit Three. 10 And ask for permission to withdraw it and make a copy so ALTON BOYI 11 we'll have an identical copy. 12 As you can tell, Mr. Examiner, from a look 13 did you identify that as our Exhibit Three? 14 A. No, we need to stamp it. g 15 MR. BUELL: Our Exhibit Number Two is a company 16 form and that is normally as much detail as we go into when 17 we forward that out to other possible working interest 18 owners. I could see why you would like a more detailed 19 accounting. We'll certainly be happy to furnish it. 20 May I ask Mr. Allen one more question before he's excused that I overlooked? 21 22 23 REDIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. BUELL: 24 Mr. Allen, do you a recommendation to the Com-25 Ç.

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19 mission with regard to the risk penalty percentage? 2 Yes, sir, I think just the inured risk involved A. 3 in drilling a deep well, that we should ask for a 200 per-4 cent effective penalty in this case. 5 MR. BUELL: May it please the Examiner, again, 6 that does complete my direct of Mr. Allen. 7 MR. NUTTER: Are there any further questions 8 of Mr. Allen? He may be excused. 9 MR, BUELL: Now, shall we call Mr. Sams, Mr. 10 Examiner. 11 And may I formally offer Exhibit Three into 12 the record, Mr. Examiner? 13 MR. NUTTER: Exhibit Three will be admitted in 14 evidence. 8 15 MR. BUELL: And may I now withdraw it so we 16 can make a copy? Thank you, Mr. Examiner. 17 18 P. LOURCEY SAMS 19 being called as a witness and having been duly sworn upon 20 his oath, testified as follows, to-wit: 21 22 DIRECT EXAMINATION 23 BY MR. BUELL: 24 Mr. Sams, would you state your complete name, Q. 25 by whom you're employed, and in what capacity, and at what

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		1	location, please?
		2	A. P. Lourcey Sams. I'm employed by Amoco Production
		3	Company as a land man in Houston, Texas.
		4	0. Mr. Sams, in your capacity as a land man with
•		5	Amoco, have you been involved in the negotiations and the
		6	background in the attempt to form voluntarily the north
		7	half of 25 as a unit for the purpose of drilling a deep
		8	test?
	8	9	A. Yes, sir.
	BOYD EPORTER e (505) 888-3404 87501	10	MR. BUELL: Any questions as to Mr. Sams' qual-
	TON BOYD HAND REPORTER • Phone (503) 388 Mexico 87501	11	ifications in this particular area?
	AL TO ORTHAN ORTHAN Pace - Pace Max Max	12	MR. NUTTER: No, he's qualified. I don't know
	L.Y. W FIED SHI stodge F	13	how to spell his name.
	SALLY CERTIFIED : Bishop's Lodg	.14	MR. BUELL: S-A-M-S.
	130	15	A. Right.
		16	MR. NUTTER: Thank you.
		17	MR. BUELL: And his given name, I can't spell
		18	it.
		19	A. It's $L-O-U-R-C-E-Y$.
		20	Q. Mr. Sams, I've already given most of your testi-
		21	mony in my dialogue with the Examiner, but let's very briefly
		22	run over it.
$\langle \gamma \rangle$		23	The acreage ownerships that we previously out-
\bigcirc		24	lined, are they correct? Amoco, 270 acres, Maddox Energy
24 -		25	Company, 40 acres, and the Swearingen interests, 10 acres?

Page 21 Yes, sir, that's --- that's true. A. 2 All right, sir. Maddox Energy Company has ex-0. 3 ecuted what we call the AFE and what has been identified as 4 our Exhibit Number Two, has it not? Yes, sir, they have. 5 A. 6 Q, Is that common practice among the experienced 7 operators that when they execute that AFE, or authorization 8 for expenditure, that they certainly intend to join and 9 participate in the drilling of the test well? 10 A. Yes, sir. 11 0, And are you currently having prepared an oper-12 ating agreement for purposes of circulating to all the 13 working interest owners? 14 A. One is being prepared. 15 Ω. All right, sir. Now, I briefly outlined for 16 the Examiner the number of owners in what I will call the 17 Swearingen tract. Was I correct in my numbers? 18 Yes. There are thirty-one mineral interest A. 19 owners and one leasehold owner, which makes a total of 20 thirty-two in the 10-acre tract. 21 Now, you have contacted all of those owners and Q. 22 have made an offer to them to join and participate in drilling 23 the well as well as an offer if they would prefer, that you 24 would take a lease of their interest? 25 Yes, I have. A.

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I believe I also pointed out to the Examiner Q. 2 that there are thirty remaining after the one that has become a lessor and his lessee has been taken care of in that 3 his lessee has stated that he'll either join or farm out to Amoco. 5 That is correct. A. 8 7 Q. All right, sir. Now, with respect to the other thirty, let's have a status report on them. 8 Ten of the other thirty have indicated they 9 A. will lease to Amoco, and an additional ten have indicated 10 11 that they will join in the drilling of the well. Become working interest owners and operators in 12 Q. 13 a deep gas bid. 14 Yes, sir, that is correct. λ. And ten that you've had no indication from at 15 Q. all. 16 A. Yes, sir. 17 Q. All right, sir. Let me ask you this, Mr. Sams, 18 based on your knowledge of these individuals that own an 19 interest in the Swearingen tract. Have I described them 20 correctly, that they're not experienced oil and gas operators 21 and that they're agonizing over their decision as to what 22 to do? 23 Yes, sir, you have. 24 A. Now do you feel that under those circumstances Q 25

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that the recommendation I have made to the Examiner to hold the option open to them for a longer period of time than normal would be a fair and equitable thing to do in this situation?

A. I feel it would, yes, sir.

MR. BUELL: May it please the Examiner, that's all I have by way of direct of Mr. Sams.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. NUTTER:

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Mr. Sams, we did not receive with the application
a list of these people who are the subject of the hearing
today. Do you have that list with you and could you offer
that as an exhibit; also, the percentage of ownership or
percentage of interest that they have in the total tract?
A. Yes, sir, I do have one, I do have a list which
I can --- one of which I have marked on somewhat, so you
will have to ignore my markings, but I will ---

MR. BUELL: Let me see what those markings are. A. -- have it retyped for you and submit it as an exhibit, if you wish.

MR. BUELL: Mr. Examiner, this does seem to contain the information that you requested. If you would glance at it and make sure that it does, we can have a clean copy of that prepared.

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		1	Q. Now, Mr. Sams, when you state that here that
1		2	Addie Swearingen has a one-half interest, you mean a one-
		3	half interest in that 10-acre tract?
		4	A. Yes, sir, that is correct.
		5	Q. Okay. Now, if you would just recopy this list
		6	and send it in as an exhibit.
		7	A. I will do so.
		8	Q. In this hearing.
		9	A. Yes, sir.
	0 88-3404	10	MR. BUELL: May it be our exhibit Four, Mr.
	L BOY REPORT Ne (505) 0 87501	11	Examiner?
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	Y W ED SHOI	13	Four. It's offered now and withdrawn also.
	SALL CERTIFI Bishop's I San San	14	MR. BUELL: Right.
	730 E	15	MR. NUTTER: Exhibit Four will be admitted in
		16	evidence, without the little markings.
		17	MR. BUELL: Mr. Examiner, unless you have some-
		18	thing else, I haven't thought of, and I hope you haven't,
		19	that's all we have.
		20	MR. NUTTER: Are there any questions of Mr.
an a		21	Sams? He may be excused.
		22	And you have nothing further, Mr. Buell?
	. •	23	MR. BUELL: No, Mr. Examiner, I do not. That's
		24	all that we have to offer at this time.
		25	MR. NUTTER: Does anyone have anything they wish
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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 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 to a complete record of the proceedings in the Examiner hearing of Case No. 6302 heard by me on 6/30 1978. Oll Conservation Division



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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

September 22, 1978

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Mr. Guy Buell Attorney Amoco Production Company P. O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

Re:	CASE NO.	6302	
	ORDER NO.	R-5813	_

Applicant:

Amoco Production Company

Dear Sir:

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

Yours very truly, Ù RAMEY JOE D. Director

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Copy of order also sent to:

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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. 6302 Order No. R-5813

APPLICATION OF AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 30, 1978, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>20th</u> 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, Amoco Production Company, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the N/2 of Section 25, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(3) That the applicant has the right to drill and proposes to drill a well at a non-standard location, thereon, said location having previously been approved.

(4) That there are interest owners in the proposed proration unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.

(5) That to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to protect correlative rights, and to afford to the owner of each interest in said unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the gas in said pool, the subject application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests, whatever they may be, within said unit. +2-Gase No. 6302 Order No. R-5813

(6) That the applicant should be designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

(7) That any non-consenting working interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production.

(8) That any non-consenting working interest owner that does not pay his share of estimated well costs should have withheld from production his share of the reasonable well costs plus an additional 200 percent thereof as a reasonable charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well.

(9) That any non-consenting interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to object to the actual well costs but that actual well costs should be adopted as the reasonable well costs in the absence of such objection.

(10) That following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs should pay to the operator any amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and should receive from the operator any amount that paid estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.

(11) That \$2000.00 per month while drilling and \$279.00 per month while producing should be fixed as reasonable charges for supervision (combined fixed rates); that the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of such supervision charges attributable to each non-consenting working interest, and in addition thereto, the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of actual expenditures required for operating the subject well, not in excess of what are reasonable, attributable to each non-consenting working interest.

(12) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason should be placed in escrow to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership.

(13) That upon the failure of the operator of said pooled unit to commence drilling of the well to which said unit is dedicated on or before November 1, 1978, the order pooling said unit should become null and void and of no effect whatsoever. #3-Case No. 6302 Order No. R-5813

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That all mineral interests, whatever they may be, in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the N/2 of Section 25, rownship 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, are hereby pooled to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a nonstandard location thereon, said location having previously been approved.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the operator of said unit shall commence the drilling of said well on or before the first day of November, 1978, and shall thereafter continue the drilling of said well with due diligence to a depth sufficient to test the Pennsylvanian formation;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that in the event said operator does not commence the drilling of said well on or before the first day of november 1978, Order (1) of this order shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever, unless said operator obtains a time extension from the Division for good cause shown.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that should said well not be drilled to completion, or abandonment, within 120 days after commencement thereof, said operator shall appear before the Division Director and show cause why Order (1) of this order should not be rescinded.

(2) That Amoco Production Company is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

(3) That after the effective date of this order and within 30 days prior to commencing said well, the operator shall furnish the Division and each known working interest owner in the subject unit an itemized schedule of estimated well costs.

(4) That within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him, any non-consenting working interest owner shall have the right to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production, and that any such owner who pays his share of estimated well costs as provided above shall remain liable for operating costs but shall not be liable for risk charges.

(5) That the operator shall furnish the Division and each known working interest owner an itemized schedule of actual well costs within 90 days following completion of the well; that if ho objection to the actual well costs is received by the Division and the Division has not objected within 45 days following receipt -4-Case No. 6302 Order No. R-5813

of said schedule, the actual well costs shall be the reasonable well costs; provided however, that if there is an objection to actual well costs within said 45-day period the Division will determine reasonable well costs after public notice and hearing.

(6) That within 60 days following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs in advance as provided above shall pay to the operator his pro rata share of the amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and shall receive from the operator his pro rata share of the amount that estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.

(7) That the operator is hereby authorized to withhold the following costs and charges from production:

- (A) The pro rata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him.
- (B) As a charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well, 200 percent of the pro rata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him.

(8) That the operator shall distribute said costs and charges withheld from production to the parties who advanced the well costs.

(9) That \$2000.00 per month while drilling and \$279,00 per month while producing are hereby fixed as reasonable charges for supervision (combined fixed rates); that the operator is hereby authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of such supervision charges attributable to each non-consenting working interest, and in addition thereto, the operator is hereby authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of actual expenditures required for operating such well, not in excess of what are reasonable, attributable to each non-consenting working interest.

(10) That any unsevered mineral interest shall be considered a seven-eighths (7/8) working interest and a one-eighth (1/8) royalty interest for the purpose of allocating costs and charges under the terms of this order. -5-Case No. 6302 Order No. R-5813

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(11) That any well costs or charges which are to be paid out of production shall be withheld only from the working interests share of production, and no costs or charges shall be withheld from production attributable to royalty interests.

(12) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason shall immediately be placed in escrow in Eddy County, New Mexico, to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership; that the operator shall notify the Division of the name and address of said escrow agent within 30 days from the date such funds are first deposited with said escrow agent.

(13) 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.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION JOE D. RAMEY Director



Amoco Production Company 500 Jefferson Building P.O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

J. M. Brown Division Engineering Manager

August 4, 1978

Case 6302

File: TBM-986.51NM-4221

Re: Application for Hearing Compulsory Pooling N/2 Section 25, T-23-S, R28-E Eddy County, New Mexico

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Please place this item on the Examiner's Hearing Docket of August 30, 1978. A map of the area is attached. Please direct any questions to either Mr. J. C. Allen (713/652-5497) or Mr. J. E. Pease (713/652-5461).

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Dockets Nos. 29-78 and 30-78 are tentitively set for hearing on September 13 and 27, 1978. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 30, 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:

- <u>CASE 6298:</u> In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to consider the amendment of Rule 1105 of the Division Rules and Regulations to require the filing of two copies of all well logs instead of one.
- <u>CASE 6312</u>; In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to consider the amendment of Order No. R-1670-T, Rule 2(A), Blanco Mesaverde Pool, San Juan and Rio Arriba Counties, New Mexico, to provide that the initial well drilled on a proration unit shall be located not closer than 790 feet to any outer boundary of the quarter section on which the well is located, and not closer than 130 feet to any guarter-guarter section or subdivision inner boundary.
- <u>CASE 6299:</u> Application of Wm. G. Ross for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause seeks approval for its South Lea Unit Area comprising 1,753 acres, more or less, of state land in Township 21 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

<u>CASE 6300:</u> Application of The Petroleum Corporation for downhole commingling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle Atoka and Morrow production in the wellbore of its Parkway West Unit Well No. 1, located in Unit C of Section 28, Township 19 South, Range 29 East, Parkway West (Atoka) Field, Eddy County, New Mexico.

<u>CASE 6301:</u> Application of The Petroleum Corporation for downhole commingling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle Strawn and Morrow production in the wellbore of its Superior Federal Well No. 4, located in Unit I of Section 5, Township 20 South, Range 29 East, East Burton Plat Pield, Eddy County, New Mexico.

> Application of Amoco Production 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 N/2 of Section 25, Township 23 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 6303:

CASE 6304:

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Application of Texas Oil & Gas Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Indian Hills State Com. Well No. 2 to be drilled 660 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 36, Township 20 South, Range 24 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, to test the Morrow formation, the S/2 of said Section 35 to be dedicated to the well.

Application of Doyle Martman for compulsory pooling and a non-standard proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Jalmat Gas Pool underlying the S/2 NE/4 of Section 26, Township 24 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to form an 80-acre non-standard proration unit 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.

Application of Flag-Redfern Oil Company for two unorthodox locations and two non-standard oil proration units, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 61.14-acre non-standard unit comprising Unit K and Lot 3 of Section 16, Township 8 South, Range 38 East, Bluitt-San Andres Associated Pool, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled 2130 feet from the South line and 2873 feet from the West line of said Section 16; alsoa 60.43-acre unit comprising Unit N and Lot 4 of said Section 16 to be dedicated to a well to be drilled 810 feet from the South line and 2850 feet from the West line of the section.

(16): Application of Texaco Inc. for an unorthodox location, permission to inject water, and directional drilling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Central Vacuum Unit Well No. 139 to be located 85 feet from the South line and 958 feet from the East line of Section 36, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, and directionally drilled to a 100' square bottom hole target location with the center of the target being 60 feet from the South line and 1310 feet from the East line of said Section 36, and approval to inject water into the San Andres formation in said well.

CASE 6305:

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- CASE 6307: Application of Exxon Corporation for downhole constingling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Drinkard and Wintz-Abo production in the wellbore of its F. F. Hardison B Well No. 10, located in Unit λ of Section 34, Yownship 21 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico.
- CASE 6308: Application of Petroleum Corporation of Texas for compulsory pooling, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp and Pennsylvanian formations underlying the N/2 of Section 8, Township 8 South, Range 37 East, Roosevelt 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 con-sidered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 6309: Application of Southland Royalty Company for an exception to Rule 2(A) of Order No. R-1670, as amended, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Rule 2(A) of Order No. R-1670, as amended, for the Blanco Mesaverde Pool to approve the unorthodox locations of its Jicarilla 468 Well No. 1, located in the NW/4 of Section 32, Township 28 North, Range 3 West and its Jicarilla 446 Well No. 1, located in the SE/4 of Section 8, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, as off-pattern wells in said pool.
- CASE 6310: Application of Southland Royalty Company for an exception to Rule 2(h) of Order No. R-1670, as amended, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Rule 2(A) of Order No. R-1670, as amended, for the Blanco Mesaverde Pool to approve the unorthodox location of its Jicarilla 101 Well No. 7, to be located in the SE/4 SE/4 of Section 12, Township 27 North, Range 4 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, as an off-pattern well in said pool.

CASE 6311: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion for an order creating and extending certain pools in Rio Arriba, Sandoval, and San Juan Counties, New Mexico:

> (a) CREATE a new pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Nacimiento production and designated as the Arch-Nacimiento Pool. The discovery well is El Paso Natural Gas Company San Juan 32-9 Unit Well No. 84 located in Unit N of Section 14, Township 31 North, Range 10 West, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

> > TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM Section 14: SW/4

(b) 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: SE/4

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

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, NMPM Section 35: SE/4 Section 36: S/2

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM Section 32: NE/4 and S/2

TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMPM Section 30: N/2

TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, NMPM Section 24: E/2 Section 25: S/2 Section 26: SE/4 Section 36: N/2

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

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TOWNSHIP 23 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST, NMPM Section 3: SW/4 Section 4: S/2 Section 10: Ń/2 Section 11: NW/4

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TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, NMFM Section 2: SE/4 Section 11: NE/4

(c) EXTEND the Cha -Gallup Oil Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

YOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 14 WEST, NMPM Section 25: W/2 NW/4

(f) EXTEND the Chacon-Dakota Associated Pool in Rio Arriba and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 22 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST, NMPM Section 2: W/2

TOWNSHIP 23 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST, NMPM Section 4: NE/4 Section 27: W/2 Section 28: E/2 Section 34: NW/4 and SE/4 Section 35: SW/4

TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST, NMPM

Section 29: SW/4 Section 30: S/2 (partial) Section 31: NW/4 (partial) Section 32: E/2 Section 33: W/2 and SE/4

(g) EXTEND the Choza Mesa-Pictured Cliffs Pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, NMPM Section 15: N/2 and SM/4 Section 22: W/2

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

TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM Section 12: B/2

(i) EXTEND the South Gallegos-Fruitland Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNEHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, NMPM Section 14: NE/4

(j) EXTEND the West Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, NMPM Section 1: N/2

TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, NMPM Section 30: SE/4 Section 32: SW/4

(k) EXTEND the Mount Nebo-Fruitland Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM Section 28: 5/2 Section 33: NW/4

(1) EXTEND the Otero-Chacra Pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, NMPM Section 18: N/2 Page 4 of 4 Examiner Hearing - Wednesday - August 30, 1978

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(m) EXTEND the Rusty-Chacra Pool in Sandoval County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 22 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST, NMFM Section 24: SE/4 Section 27: NE/4

(n) EXTEND the Tapacito-Pictured Cliffs Pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST, HMPM Section 2: NW/4

(o) EXTEND the Tocito Dome-Pennsylvanian D Oil Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

> TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 18 WEST, MMPM Section 14: SW/4 Section 23: W/2

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

> TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, NMPM Section 2: NE/4 Section 4: A11 Section 5: SE/4

> TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, NMPM Section 27: SW/4

> > Docket No. 27-78

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION - 9 A.M. - ROOM 205 STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

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CASE 6289: (Continued from August 9, 1978, Commission Hearing)

> Application of Bill Taylor for enforcement and amendment of Order No. R-5332, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a determination of well costs, an accounting of expenditures and costs withheld from production, and the amendment of Order No. R-5332 to remove the present operator of the pooled proration unit comprising the N/2 of Section 13, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, South Carlsbad Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, and designate another operator for said unit.

CASE 6222:

(Rehearing) (Continued from August 9, 1978, Commission Hearing)

Application of Paul Hamilton for salt water disposal well shut-in, Lea County, New Mexico Upon application of Paul Hamilton there will be a rehearing of Case No. 6222, Order No. R-5753. This case involves the application of Paul Hamilton for an order shutting down salt water disposal operations in the Texaco, Inc., New Mexico State "BO" SWD Well No. 3, located in Unit D of Section 24, Township 11 South, Range 32 East, Moore-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. Pursuant to Commission Order No. R-5753-A, evidence at said rehearing shall be limited to evidence relating to data regarding water quality and water level obtained from an observation well completed next to the aforesaid SWD Well No. 3, and to other new evidence unavailable at the time of the original hearing of this case on May 31, 1978.

ATWOOD, MALONE, MANN & COOTER A PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION LAWYERS

JEFF D. ATWOOD [1883-1980] ROSS L. MALONE [1910-1974]

> P. O. DRAWER 700 SECURITY NATIONAL BANK BUILDING ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO 88201 [505] 622-6221

August 28, 1978

Mr. Joe D. Ramey Secretary-Director Oil Conservation Commission Post Office Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

> RE: Examiner Hearing August 30, 1978 Case No. 6302

Dear Mr. Ramey:

We would appreciate your filing the enclosed Entry of Appearance for Amoco Production Company in Case No. 6302.

Thank you and with regards, I am,

Very truly yours

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Charles F. Malone

CFM:Sgs Enc.

cc: Guy Buell, Esquire w/enc.

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION) of AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR) COMPULSORY POOLING, NORTH HALF OF) SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH,) Case No. 6302 RANGE 28 EAST, EDDY COUNTY, NEW) MEXICO)

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

The undersigned hereby enter appearance herein in behalf of AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY, with Guy Guell of Houston,

Texas.

ATWOOD, MALONE, MANN & COOTER, P.A.

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BEFORE EXAMINER NUTTER
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
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CASE NO. 6302

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:

6302 CASE NO.

Order No. R- 58/3

APPLICATION OF AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

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This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on <u>August 30</u>, 19<u>78</u>, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner <u>Daniel S. Nutter</u>. NOW, on this <u>day of September</u>, 19<u>78</u>, 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, Amoco Production Company , seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian

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(3) That the applicant has the right to drill and proposes
 to drill a well at a standard location thereon, said location.
 having previously been approved.
 (4) That there are interest owners in the proposed proration
 unit who have not agreed to pool their interests.

(5) That to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to protect correlative rights, and to afford to the owner of each interest in said unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the gas in said pool, the subject application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests, whatever they may be, within said unit.

(6) That the applicant should be designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

(7) That any non-consenting working interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production.

(8) That any non-consenting working interest owner that does not pay his share of estimated well costs should have withheld from production his share of the reasonable well costs plus an additional 200 percent thereof as a reasonable charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well.

(9) That any non-consenting interest owner should be afforded the opportunity to object to the actual well costs but that actual well costs should be adopted as the reasonable well costs in the absence of such objection.

(10) That following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs should pay to the operator any amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and should receive from the operator any amount that paid estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs. -3-Case No. Order No. R-

(11) That <u>2000.00</u> per month should be fixed as a reasonable charges for supervision (combined fixed rates); that the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of such supervision charges attributable to each non-consenting working interest, and in addition thereto, the operator should be authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of actual expenditures required for operating the subject well, not in excess of what are reasonable, attributable to each non-consenting working interest.

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(12) That all proceeds from production from the subject well which are not disbursed for any reason should be placed in escrow to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership.

(13) That upon the failure of the operator of said pooled unit to commence drilling of the well to which said unit is dedicated on or before <u>November 1, 1978</u>, the order pooling said unit should become null and void and of no effect whatsoever.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That all mineral interests, whatever they may be, in the <u>Pennsylvanian</u> formation underlying the <u>N/2</u> of Section <u>25</u>, Township <u>23 South</u>, Range <u>28 East</u>, NMPM, <u>Eddy</u> County, New Mexico, are hereby pooled to form a standard <u>320</u> acre gas spacing and proration unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled <u>NMPM</u>, <u>at a standard location thereon</u>, <u>sold location having previous</u> <u>PROVIDED HOWEVER</u>, that the operator of said unit shall

commence the drilling of said well on or before the first day of <u>Ascember</u>, 1978, and shall thereafter continue the drilling of said well with due diligence to a depth sufficient to test the <u>Pennsylvanian</u> formation;

<u>PROVIDED FURTHER</u>, that in the event said operator does not commence the drilling of said well on or before the <u>first</u> day of <u>November</u>, 1978, Order (1) of this order shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever, unless said operator obtains a time extension from the Division for good cause shown. PROVIDED FURTHER, that should said well not be drilled to completion, or abandonment, within 120 days after commencement thereof, said operator shall appear before the Division Director and show cause why Order (1) of this order should not be rescinded.

(2) That <u>Amoco Production Company</u> is hereby designated the operator of the subject well and unit.

(3) That after the effective date of this order and within 30 days prior to commencing said well, the operator shall furnish the Division and each known working interest owner in the subject unit an itemized schedule of estimated well costs.

(4) That within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him, any non-consenting working interest owner shall have the right to pay his share of estimated well costs to the operator in lieu of paying his share of reasonable well costs out of production, and that any such owner who pays his share of estimated well costs as provided above shall remain liable for operating costs but shall not be liable for risk charges.

(5) That the operator shall furnish the Division and each known working interest owner an itemized schedule of actual well costs within 90 days following completion of the well; that if no objection to the actual well costs is received by the Division and the Division has not objected within 45 days following receipt of said schedule, the actual well costs shall be the reasonable well costs; provided however, that if there is an objection to actual well costs within said 45-day period the Division will determine reasonable well costs after public notice and hearing.

(6) That within 60 days following determination of reasonable well costs, any non-consenting working interest owner that has paid his share of estimated costs in advance as provided

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above shall pay to the operator his pro rata share of the amount that reasonable well costs exceed estimated well costs and shall receive from the operator his pro rata share of the amount that estimated well costs exceed reasonable well costs.

(7) That the operator is hereby authorized to withhold the following costs and charges from production:

- (A) The pro rata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him.
- (B) As a charge for the risk involved in the drilling of the well, <u>accomparation</u> of the pro rata share of reasonable well costs attributable to each non-consenting working interest owner who has not paid his share of estimated well costs within 30 days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs is furnished to him.

(8) That the operator shall distribute said costs and charges withheld from production to the parties who advanced while driven and \$2,000 the well costs.

(9) That 2000.00 per month is hereby fixed as a reasonable charges for supervision (combined fixed rates); that the operator is hereby authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of such supervision charges attributable to each non-consenting working interest, and in addition thereto, the operator is hereby authorized to withhold from production the proportionate share of actual expenditures required for operating such well, not in excess of what are reasonable, attributable to each non-consenting working interest.

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(10) That any unsevered mineral interest shall be considered a seven-eighths (7/8) working interest and a one-eighth (1/8) royalty interest for the purpose of allocating costs and charges under the terms of this order.

(11) That any well costs or charges which are to be paid out of production shall be withheld only from the working interests share of production, and no costs or charges shall be withheld from production attributable to royalty interests.

(12) That all proceeds from production from the subject immediately well which are not disbursed for any reason shall be placed in escrow in Eddy County, New Mexico, to be paid to the true owner thereof upon demand and proof of ownership; that the operator shall notify the Division of the name and address of said such funds are first depose escrow agent within 20 days from the date of this order. ed with Jaid escrow agent.

(13) 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.