CASE 6725: THREECO OIL COMPANY FOR THREE NON-STANDARD GAS FROMATION UNITS, SAN JUNE, COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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Re: CASE NO. 6725 ORDER NO. R-6226

Applicant:

Tenneco Oil Company

Dear Sir:

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

Pours very truly, JOE D. RAMEY 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. 6725 Order No. R-6226

APPLICATION OF TENNECO OIL COMPANY FOR THREE NON-STANDARD GAS PRORATION UNITS, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on December 12, 1979, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>9th</u> day of January, 1980, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 11 JOE D. RAMEY Director

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- CASE 6761: Application of Phillips Petroleum Company for an unorthodox gas well location and approval of infill drilling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of an Atoka-Morrow test well to be drilled 660 feet from the North and West lines of Section 2, Township 24 South, Range 28 East; applicant further accks a finding that the drilling of said well is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain that portion of the proration unit, being the W/2 of said Section 2, which cannot be so drained by the existing well.
- CASE 6762: Application of Joe Don Cook for an exception to Order No. R-3221, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Order No. R-3221 to permit disposal of produced brine into an unlined surface pit located in Section 1, Township 19 South, Range 31 East, Shugart Pool.
- CASE 6763: Application of Adams Exploration Company for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all minoral interests in the North Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool underlying Section 16, Township 20 South, Range 36 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 660 feet from the South and West lines of said Section 16. 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 6729: (Continued from November 14, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Adams Exploration Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying Section 16, Townshir 20 South, Range 36 East, North Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool, 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 6725: (Continued from November 28, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Tenneco Oil Company for three non-standard gas proration units, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicanc, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 291.23-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the W/2 of Section 6 and the NW/4 of Section 7, a 347.58-acre unit comprising the W/2 of Section 19 and the NW/4 of Section 30, and a 375.17-acre unit comprising the SW/4 of Section 30 and the W/2 of Section 31, all in Township 29 North, Range 8 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, each unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon.

CASE 6751: (Continued from November 28, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Tenneco Oil Company for the rescission of special pool rules, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the rescission of the special pool rules for the Catclaw Draw-Morrow Gas Pool to provide for 320-acre spacing rather than 640 acres. In the absence of objection, the pool rules will be rescinded and the pool placed on standard 320-acre spacing for Pennsylvanian gas pools rather than the present 640-acre spacing.

- CASE 6764: Application of Lee Crane for surface commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the surface commingling of undesignated Ojo Alamo and Oswell-Farmington production from his Martin Wells Nos. 1 and 3 located in Section 34, Township 30 North, Range 11 West.
- CASE 6765: Application of Mesa Petroleum Company for an exception to Order No. R-111-A and an unorthodox well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the casing-cementing rules of Order No. R-111-A to complete its Bass Federal Well No. 2 to be drilled at an unorthodox location 1450 feet from the North line and 1850 feet from the West line and its Bass Federal Well No. 3 to be drilled in Unit D, both in Section 6, Township 20 South, Range 31 East, by setting surface casing in the "Red Bed" section of the basal Rustler formation and production casing at total depth. Both casing strings would have cement circulated to the surface.

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CASE 6745: Application of Harvey E. Yates Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp-Pennsylvanian formations underlying the W/2 of Section 28, Township 23 South, Range 24 East, 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.

<u>CASE 6746</u>: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp-Pennsylvanian formations underlying the S/2 of Section 31. Township 18 South, Range 26 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 660 feet from the South line and 1100 feet from the West line of said Section 31. 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 and well.

- CASE 6747: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp-Pennsylvanian formations underlying the S/2 of Section 23, Township 18 South, Range 25 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location in the center of Unit P of said Section 23. 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 6748: Application of Yates Petroleum 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 Rio Pecos "MH" Fed. Well No. 1, a Morrow test to be drilled 1980 feet from the South line and 1100 feet from the East line of Section 29, Township 18 South, Range 27 East, the S/2 of said Section 29 to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 6749: Application of Petro-Lewis Corporation for downhole commingling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Penrose Skelly, Blinebry, and Drinkard production in the wellbore of its Warlick Well No. 3 located in Unit P of Section 18, Township 21 South, Range 37 East.
- CASE 6750: Application of CO₂-In-Action, Inc. for creation of a new carbon dioxide gas pool and special pool rules, Harding County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of the North Bueyeros-Santa Rosa CO₂ Gas Pool comprising all or parts of Sections 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, and 12, Township 20 North, Range 30 East and Sections 20 thru 23 and 26 thru 35, Township 21 North, Range 30 East, and the promulgation of special rules therefor including a provision for 160-acre spacing units with the option to drill on 40 acres, and with well locations as close as 330 feet to the unit boundary.

CASE 6725: (Continued from November 14, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Tenneco Oil Company for three non-standard gas proration units, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 291.23-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the W/2 of Section 6 and the NW/4 of Section 7, a 347.58-acre unit comprising the W/2 of Section 19 and the NW/4 of Section 30, and a 375.17-acre unit comprising the SW/4 of Section 30 and the W/2 of Section 31, all in Township 29 North, Range 8 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, each unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon.

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CASE 6357: (Reopened and Readvertised)

In the matter of Case 6357 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-5853 which order established temporary special rules and regulations for the South Peterson-Pennsylvanian Pool, with provisions for 80-acre spacing. All interested rarties may appear and show cause why the South Peterson-Pennsylvanian Pool should not be developed on 40-acre spacing units.

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Application of Aminoil USA, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. CASE 6721:

Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp-Pennsylvanian formations underlying the N/2 of Section 10, Township 24 South, Range 28 East, 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 6684: (Continued from October 31, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

Application of CO2-In-Action, Inc. for creation of a new carbon dioxide gas pool and special pool rules, Harding County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of the North Bueyeros-Santa Rosa CO₂ Gas Pool and the promulgation of special pool rules therefor, including a provision for 40-acre spacing and proration units. Said pool would comprise all or parts of Sections 1 thru 4, Township 20 North, Range 30 East, and Sections 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 32, 33 and 34, Township 21 North, Range 30 East.

CASE 6722: Application of Lloyd Davidson for an unorthodox oil well location, McKinley County, New Mexico Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of his Santa Fe Pacific Well No. 1, a Gallup-Entrada-Dakota test 960 feet from the South line and 1230 feet from the East line of Section 29, Township 16 North, Range 6 West, the SE/4 SE/4 of said Section 29 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 6723: Application of Merrion & Bayless for compulsory pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pictured Cliffs formation underlying the SW/4 of Section 27, Township 24 North, Range 2 West, South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool, 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 6713: (Continued from October 31, 1979, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Depco Inc. for a unit agreement, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the White Ranch Unit Area, comprising 18,962 acres, more or less, of State, Federal, and fee lands in Townships 12 and 13 South, Ranges 29 and 30 East.

- CASE 6724: Application of Coquina Oil Corporation for a non-standard gas proration unit and an unorthodox location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of a well to be drilled 660 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 7, Township 19 South, Range 32 East, Lusk-Morrow Gas Pool, the S/2 of said Section 7 to be dedicated to the well as a non-standard 320-acre proration unit.
- CASE 6725: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for three non-standard gas proration units, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cruse, seeks approval of a 291.23-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the W/2 of Section 6 and the NW/4 of Section 7, a 347.58-acre unit com-prising the W/2 of Section 19 and the NW/4 of Section 30, and a 375.17-acre unit comprising the SW/4 of Section 30 and the W/2 of Section 31, all in Township 29 North, Range 8 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, each unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon.
- CASE 6726: Application of Tesoro Petroleum Corporation for a waterflood project, McKinley County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project in the South Hospah-Upper Sand Oil Pool by the injection of water into the Upper Hospah Sands through three wells located in Units E and M of Section 5 and Unit I of Section 8, Township 17 North, Range 8 West. Applicant further seeks an administrative procedure for expansion of said project.
- CASE 6727: Application of Conoco Inc. for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the abovestyled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water in its Anderson Ranch Unit Well No. 8 located in Unit I of Section 11, Township 16 South, Range 32 East, Anderson Ranch Field. Applicant would dispose into the Wolfcamp, Hississippian, and Devonian formations in the overall interval from 9775 feet to 13,620 feet through selective perforations.

CASE 6728: Application of Conoco Inc. for pressure maintenance expansion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the expansion of its Scarborough Eaves PM Project by the conversion of its Eaves "A" Well No. 7 located in Unit J of Section 19, Township 26 South, Range 37 East, to water injection in the Yates-Seven Rivers formations.

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2	MR. PADILLA: Application of Tenneco Oil
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4	County, New Mexico.
5	MR. NUTTER: Applicant in this case has
6	requested continuance.
7	Case Number 6725 will be continued to the
8	Examiner Hearing scheduled to be held at this same place at
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MR. NUTTER: Call next Case Number 6725. MR. PADILLA: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for three non-standard gas proration units, San Juan County, New Mexico. MR. NUTTER: Applicant in this case has Ĉ requested continuance. Case Number 6725 will be continued to the Examiner Hearing scheduled to be held at this same place at 9:00 o'clock a. m., November 28th, 1979. (Hearing continued.)

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Mr. Joe Ramey Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Tenneco Oil Company Non-Standard Proration Unit Re: Basin Dakota Pool

Dear Joe:

Please set this Application for hearing on November 14th, 1979, for approval of a non-standard proration unit for W/2 Sec. 31 and SW/4 Sec. 30, T29N, R8W, San Juan County, New Mexico.

Very truly yours,

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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cc: Mr. Millard Carr

STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND MINERALS

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF TENNECO OIL COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF A NON-STANDARD PRORATION UNIT, BASIN DAKOTA POOL, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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APPLICATION

COMES NOW Tenneco Oil Company by and through its attorneys, Kellahin & Kellahin, and requests approval of a 375.17-acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Basin Dakota Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, and in support thereof would show:

1. Applicant is the operator of the W/2 Sec. 31, and SW/4 Section 30, T29N, R8W, San Juan County, New Mexico.

2. Applicant proposes to drill its Pritchard "Com" #7 well in this non-standard proration unit which consists of 375.17 acres described as follows:



Section 30: Lot 3 17.28 acres Lot 4 16.80 acres E/2, SW/4 80.00 acres 114.08 acres Section 31: Lot 5 40.78 acres Lot 6 16.97 acres Lot 7 18.34 acres Lot 8 44.40 acres Lot 9 48.02 acres Lot 10 19.72 acres Lot 11 21.18 acres Lot 12 51.64 acres 261.09 acres

Township 29 North, Range 8 West

3. That the granting of this application will result in the prevention of waste and will not impair correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing before the Division's Examiner and that after notice and hearing the application be granted as requested.

> Respectfully submitted. TENNECO OIL COMPANY

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> Tenneco Oil Company Re: Non-Standard Proration Unit Basin Dakota Pool

Dear Joe:

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 Applicant is the operator and co-owner with Conoco of the W/2 Sec. 19 and NW/4 Sec. 30, T29N, R8W, San Juan County, New Mexico.

2. That applicant proposes to drill a well in this non-standard proration unit which consists of 347.58 acres described as follows:

	Township	29 North,	Range 8	West
2 	Sec. 19:	Lot 1 Lot 2 Lot 3 Lot 4 E/2W/2	17.85 17.93 18.05 18.15 160.00	acres
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4	Sec. 30:		$18.00 \\ 17.60 \\ 80.00$	acres
			115.60	acres
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3. That the granting of this application will result in the prevention of waste and will not impair correlative rights.

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APPLICATION

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APPLICATION

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 Applicant is the operator and co-owner with Conoco of the W/2 Sec. 19 and NW/4 Sec. 30, T29N, R8W, San Juan County, New Mexico.

2. That applicant proposes to drill a well in this non-standard proration unit which consists of 347.58 acres described as follows:

Township 29 North, Range 8 West

Sec.	19:	Lot 1 Lot 2 Lot 3 Lot 4 E/2W/2	17.85 17.93 18.05 18.15 160.00	acres
			231.98	acres
Sec.	30:	Lot 1 Lot 2 E/2NW/4	18.00 17.60 80.00 115.60	

TOTAL: 347.58 acres

3. That the granting of this application will result in the prevention of waste and will not impair correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing before the Division's Examiner and that after notice and hearing the application be granted as requested.

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Respectfully submitted, TENNECO OIL COMPANY

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION SANTA FE

Mr. Joe Ramey Oil Conservation Division P. 0. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

> Re: Tenneco Oil Company Non-Standard Proration Unit Basin Dakota Pool

Dear Joe:

Please set this Application for hearing on November 14th, 1979, for approval of a non-standard gas proration unit for the W/2 Sec. 8, and SW/4 of Sec. 7, T29N, R8W, San Juan County, New Mexico.

Very truly yours, Very truly yours, 10. Shomas Kellahin/mf

Case 6725

W. Thomas Kellahin

WTK:eps Enclosure

cc: Mr. Millard Carr

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF TENNECO OIL COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF A NON-STANDARD PRORATION UNIT, BASIN DAKOTA POOL, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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Case 6725 APPLICATION

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Township	29 North,	Range 8 West
Sec. 6:	Lot 8 Lot 9 Lot 10 Lot 11 Lot 12 Lot 13 Lot 14 Lot 15	28.64 acres 11.45 12.68 30.77 33.71 13.99 15.33 <u>36.38</u> 182.95 acres
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TOTAL: 291.23 acres



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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

CASE NO. 6725

Order No. R- 6226

APPLICATION OF TENNECO OIL COMPANY THREE FOR NON-STANDARD PROPATION ANIT PROPATION UNITS,

SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on <u>December 12</u> 19 79, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner <u>Daniel S. Nutter</u>. NOW, on this <u>day of December</u>, 19 79, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

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, <u>Tenneco Oil Company</u>
seeks approval of a <u>291.23</u> -acre non-standard gas proration unit and the NW/4 of
comprising the <u>W/2</u> of Section <u>6/</u>, Township______, Range______, NMPM, to be dedicated to
its_______, located in
Unit _______of said_Section ______.
(3) That the @xxixxx non-standard proration units may reasonably

(5) That the waxke hon-standard profactor units may reasonable Le presumed productive of gas from the <u>Basin-Dakota</u> Gas Pool and that the waxkew non-standard gas provided units can be efficiently and economically drained and developed by the

aforesaid wells 347.66

A Section 7, a -347.50-acre unit comprising the W/2 of Section 19 and the NW/4 of Section 30, and a 375.17-acre unit comprising the SW/4 of Section 30 and the W/2 of Section 31, all in Township 29 North, Range 8 West, Basin-Dakota Pool, each unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. (4) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce his just and equitable share of the gas in the <u>Basin-Dakota</u>

Cas 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:

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(2) 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.