CASE 7132: READ & STEVENS, INC. FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION AND TWO NON-STANDARD GAS PRORATION UNITS, CHAVES COUNTY NEW MEXICO

# CASE NO.

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APPlication,
Transcripts,
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# STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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February 13, 1931

Mr. William F. Carr Campbell and Black Attorneys at Law Post Office Box 2208 Santa Fe, New Mexico

CASE NO. ORDER NO. R-6583

Applicant:

Read & Stevens, Inc.

Dear Sir:

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

JOE D. RAMEY Director

Yours very truly,

JDR/fd

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. 7132 Order No. R-6583

APPLICATION OF READ & STEVENS, INC. FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION AND TWO NON-STANDARD GAS PROPATION UNITS, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE DIVISION

#### BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on January 14, 1981, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this <u>loth</u> day of February, 1981, 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, Read & Stevens, Inc., seeks approval of two 160-acre non-standard gas proration units in the Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, the first being the SE/4 of Section 13, Township 15 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, to be dedicated to its Rose Well No. 1 in Unit J, and the other being the SW/4 of said Section 13 to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 1315 feet from the South line and 1315 feet from the West line of the section.
- (3) That both of said non-standard proration units may reasonably be presumed productive of gas from the Suffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool and that the entire non-standard gas proration units can be efficiently and economically drained and developed by the respective aforesaid wells.

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(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 Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

# IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That Read & Stevens, Inc. is hereby granted two 160-acre non-standard gas proration units in the Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, the first comprising the SE/4 of Section 13, Township 15 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico, and the second being the SM/4 of said Section 13, said units to be dedicated to the Rose Well No. 1 in Unit J and a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location, hereby approved, 1315 feet from the South line and 1315 feet from the West line of the section, respectively.
- (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 herein-

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JOE D. RAMEY Director

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- CASE 7125: Application of Western Oil Producers Inc. for the amendment of Order No. R-5399, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the amendment of Division Order No. R-5399 to include production from all of the Pennsylvanian formations in its Amoco State Well No. 1 at an unorthodox location in Unit N of Section 28, Township 16 South, Range 33 East.
- CASE 7126: Application of Franks Petroleum, Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox location 1980 feet from the North line and 1315 feet from the West line, Section 3, Township 21 South, Range 32 East, Hat Mesa-Morrow Gas Pool, the N/2 of said Section 3 to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 7127: Application of Ellwade Corporation for amendment of Order No. R-6399, Eddy County, New Mexico.
  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the amendment of Order No. R-6399 which approved
  a 129.52-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the W/2 of Section 33, Township 26
  South, Range 30 East, for the Wolfcamp formation in the Ross Draw Area. Applicant seeks to
  have said order also apply to all formations of Pennsylvanian age.
- CASE 6670: (Reopened and Readvertised)

In the matter of Case 6670 being reopened and pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-6183 which order promulgated temporary special rules and regulations for the Red Hills-Devonian Gas Pool in Lea County, New Mexico, including a provision for 640-acre spacing units. Operators in said pool may appear and show cause why the pool should not be developed on 320-acre spacing units.

- Application of HNG Oil Company for pool creation, special pool rules, assignment of a discovery allowable, and dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks creation of a new Wolfcamp oil pool for its San Simon 6 State Comm. Well No. 1 located 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 6, Township 22 South, Range 35 East, with special rules therefor, including provisions for 160-acre spacing. Applicant further seeks a discovery allowable for said well and approval for its dual completion to produce oil from the Wolfcamp and gas from an undesignated Morrow pool thru parallel strings of tubing.
- CASE 7129: Application of Koch Exploration Company for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Dakota formation underlying the N/2 of Section 28, Township 28 North, Range 8 West, 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, designation of applicant as operator of the well, and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 7130:

  Application of Read & Stevens, Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location and two non-standard gas proration units, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of two 160-acre non-standard proration units in the Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, the first being the SE/4 of Section 12, Township 15 South, Range 27 East, to be dedicated to its Trobough "A" State Com. Well No. 1 in Unit J, and the other being the NE/4 of said Section 12 to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 1315 feet from the North and East lines of the section.
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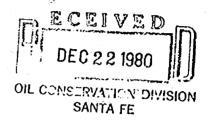
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December 22, 1980

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Mr. Joe D. Ramey
Division Director
Oil Conservation Divison
New Mexico Department of
Energy and Minerals
Post Office Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501



Re: Application of Read & Stevens, Inc. for Approval of an Unorthodox Well Location, Two Non-Standard Proration Units and Approval of Infill Drilling, Chaves County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Ramey:

Enclosed in triplicate is the application of Read & Stevens, Inc. in the above-referenced matter.

The applicant requests that this matter be included on the docket for the examiner hearing scheduled to be held on January 14, 1981.

ery truly yours

William F. Carr

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. William P. Aycock

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NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND MINERALS

APPLICATION OF READ & STEVENS, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION, TWO NON-STANDARD PRORATION UNITS AND APPROVAL OF INFILL DRILLING, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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# APPLICATION

Comes now READ & STEVENS, INC., by its undersigned attorneys, and applies to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for approval of an unorthodox well location and two non-standard gas proration units, Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Chaves County, New Mexico, and in support of its application states:

- 1. Read & Stevens, Inc. is the operator of the S/2 of Section 13, Township 15 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Chaves County, New Mexico, which is dedicated to its Rose Well No. 1 located in Unit J'of said Section 13.
- 2. Applicant seeks the establishment of two non-standard gas proration units in the Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool; one comprising the SE/4 of said Section 13 as a new 160-acre proration unit to be dedicated to the Rose Well No. 1 and the other comprising the SW/4 of said Section 13 as a new 160-acre proration unit to be dedicated to a well applicant proposes to drill at an unorthodox location.
- 3. That Special Pool Rules for the Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool were promulgated by Oil Conserva-

tion Division Order R-1670-H on March 4, 1969, which established special requirements for the location of wells in this pool.

4. That applicant seeks an exception to the Special Pool Rules to enable it to locate its proposed well 1320 feet from the South and West lines of the Section.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this matter be set for hearing before the Commission or one of the Division's duly appointed examiners and that after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order approving the application.

Respectfully submitted, CAMPBELL AND BLACK, P.A.

William F. Carr

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Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501 Attorneys for Applicant

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Applicant in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of two 160-acre non-standard proration units, one comprising the SE/4 of Section 13, Township 15 South, Range 27 East, Buffalo Valley-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, to be dedicated to its Rose  $\mathcal{U}_{n,i}$  Well No. 1, and also a non-standard proration unit comprising the SW/4 of said Section 13 to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 1320 feet from the South and West lines of the section; applicant further seeks a waiver of existing well spacing requirements.

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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.