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

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March 10, 1981

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Mr. Thomas Kellahin Kellahin & Kellahin Attorneys at Law Post Office Box 1769 Santa Fe, New Mexico

CASE NO. Re: ORDER NO. R-6610

Applicant:

Zia Energy, Inc.

7171

Dear Sir:

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

Pours very truly, ine 1. JOE D. RAMEY 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. 7171 Order No. R-6610

APPLICATION OF ZIA ENERGY INC. FOR A NON-STANDARD GAS PROBATION UNIT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE DIVISION

#### BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 25, 1981, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>6th</u> day of March, 1981, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

That the applicant's request for dismissal should be granted.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:** 

That Case No. 7171 is hereby dismissed.

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



STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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Oil Conservation Division

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# ZIA ENERGY, INC.

February 10, 1981

Yarborough Oil Company P. 0, Box 1001 Eunice, New Mexico 88231

Re: Zia Energy, In. Elliott "A" State No. 1 SW/4-SE Sec. 27, T-20-S, R-36-E Request For Approval For Non-Standard Proration Unit.

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Case 7171

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a copy of an application by Zia Energy, Inc. requesting that the Oil Conservation Division approve a 40 acre non-standard gas well proration unit for its Elliott "A" State Well No. 1 in the Eumont Gas Field.

You are requested to indicate your waiver of objection to the approval  $\phi$  of this non-standard proration unit.

Please sign one copy of this letter in the appropriate blank below and forward to the Oil Conservation Division in the enclosed envelope.

Yours very truly,

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Waiver Of Objection Jackbough Ou Co-Date 2/17/81

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Dockets Nos. 8-81 and 9-81 are tentatively set for March 11 and 25, 1981. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

#### DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 25, 1981

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

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

- CASE 7157: Application of Carl A. Schellinger for a unit agreement, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the Campbell Station Unit Area, comprising 3,841 acres, more or less, of State lands in Townships 8 and 9 South, Range 27 Fast.
- CASE 7158: Application of Grynberg & Associates for a unit agreement, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the Silman Lake Unit Area, comprising 13,743 acres, more or less, of State and fee lands in Yownships 9 and 10 South, Ranges 26 and 27 East.
- CASE 7159: Application of Consolidated Oil & Gas, Inc. for downhole commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Greenhorn and Dakota production in the wellbore of its Navajo Well No. 2-E located in Unit C of Section 11, Township 25 North, Range 10 West.
- CASE 7160: Application of Harlan Drilling Company for an unorthodox gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of a well to be drilled 2370 feet from the North line and 1528 feet from the West line of Section 31, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Pool, the NW/4 of said Section 31 to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 7148: (Continued from February 11, 1981, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Twin Montana Oil Company for a non-standard oil proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an 80-acre Vada-Pennsylvanian oil proration unit comprising the S/2 NE/4 of Section 3, Township 9 South, Range 35 East, to be dedicated to its Webb Federal Well No. 1 located in Unit G of said Section 3.

CASE 7051: (Continued from January 28, 1981, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Petro Lewis Corporation for downhole commingling, Lea County, New Nexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Blinebry and Drinkard production in the wellbore of its L. G. Warlick "B" Well No. 2 located in Unit G of Section 19, Township 21 South, Range 37 East.

CASE 7140: (Continued from February 11, 1981, Examiner Hearing)

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 Morrow formation underlying the N/2 of Section 26, Township 21 South, Range 26 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 660 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the East line of said Section 26. 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 7149: (Continued from February 11, 1981, Examiner Hearing)

Application of John H. Hendrix Corporation for the extension of the vertical limits of the Langlie Mattix Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the contraction of the vertical limits of the Jalmat Pool and the upward extension of the vertical limits of the Langlie Mattix Pool to a depth of 3362 feet, subsurface, underlying Unit O of Section 19, Township 23 South, Range 37 East.

CASE 7161:

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161: Application of John Yuronka for four compulsory poolings, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Langlie Mattix Pool underlying the four 40-acre proration units comprising the SW/4 of Section 31, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, to be dedicated to wells to be drilled at standard locations thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said wells and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the wells, and a charge for risk involved in drilling said wells.

- CASE 7162: Application of McCulloch Oil & Gas Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the McKee formation underlying the E/2 of Section 25, Township 20 South, Range 33 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, designation of applicant as operator of the well, and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 7163: Application of ARCO Oil and Gas Company for the extension of the vertical limits of the Langlie Nattix Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the contraction of the vertical limits of the Jalmat Pool and the upward extension of the vertical limits of the Langlie Mattix Pool by 165 feet underlying the NE/4 SE/4 of Section 35, Township 23 South, Range 36 East.
- CASE 7164: Application of ARCO Oil and Gas Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Devonian and Ellenburger formations, Custer Field, underlying the N/2 of Section 6, Township 25 South, Range 37 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, designation of applicant as operator of the well, and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- <u>CA3E 7165</u>: Application of ARCO Oil and Gas Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Langley-Ellenburger Pool underlying the N/2 of Section 33, Township 22 South, Range 36 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, designation of applicant as operator of the well, and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 7166: Application of Inexco Oil Company for a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the Chosa Draw Unit Area, comprising 2,560 acres, more or less, of Federal and State lands in Townships 25 and 26 South, Range 25 East.
- <u>CASE 7167</u>: Application of Inexco Oil Company for a unit agreement, Chaves County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the Made Well Anticline Unit Area, comprising 39,238 acres, more or less, of State, Federal, and fee lands in Townships 12, 13, and 14 South, Ranges 21 and 22 East.
- CASE 7168: Application of Cavalcade Oil Corporation 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 Unit K or L of Section 33, Township 18 South, Range 30 East.
- CASE 7129: (Continued from February 11, 1981, Examiner Hearing)

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 Nest, 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 7169: 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 S/2 of Section 22, 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 7170: Application of Threshold Development Company for an NGPA determination, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a new onshore reservoir determination in the Atoka and Morrow formations for its Conoco 10A State Well No. 1Y in Unit F of Section 10, Township 19 South, Range 29 East.

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Docket No. 7-81

CASE 7171: Application of Zia Energy Inc. for a non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 120-acre non-standard proration unit in the Eumont Gas Pool comprising the SW/4 SU/4 of Section 27, and the K/2 NE/4 of Section 34, Township 20 South, Range 36 East, to be dedicated to its Elliott "A" State Well No. 1 located 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line of said Section 27.

CASE 7172: Application of Caulkins Oil Company for two unorthodox gas well locations, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of the following two wells on its Breech A Lease to be recompleted in the Chacra, Mesaverde, and Dakota formations: No. 157 located 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 10 and No. 629 located 660 feet from the North line and 760 feet from the West line of Section 9, both in Township 26 North, Range 6 West.

CASE 7173: Application of V-F Petroleum Inc. for an unorthodox well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of a well to be drilled 330 feet from the North line and 1150 feet from the East line of Section 5, Township 16 South, Range 38 East, South Denton-Devonian Pool, the NE/4 NF/4 of said Section 5 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 7174:

Application of Jake L. Hamon for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy 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 and West lines of Section 36, Township 23 South, Range 26 East, South Carlsbad-Morrow Gas Pool, the S/2 of said Section 36 to be decicated to the well.

CASE 7175:

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5: Application of Conoco Inc. for compulsory pooling and a dual completion, Lea County, New Nexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp-Ellenburger formations underlying the S/2 of Section 19, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location and dually completed in the Devonian and Ellenburger formations. 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. Jason Kellahin W. Thomas Kellahin Karen Aubrey KELLAHIN and KELLAHIN Attorneys at Law 500 Don Gaspar Avenue Post Office Box 1769 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Telephone 982-4285 Area Code 505

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February 5, 1981

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OIL CONSTRVATION DIVISION SANTA FE

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

RE: Zia Energy Inc.

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Dear Joe:

Please set the enclosed application for hearing on February 25, 1981.



WTK:jm Enclosure cc: Mr. Ferris Nelson

# STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND MINERALS

## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ZIA ENERGY INC. FOR APPROVAL OF A NON-STANDARD GAS PRORATION UNIT AND UNORTHODOX LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.



<u>A P P L I C A T I O N</u>

COMES NOW ZIA ENERGY INC., by and through its attorneys, Kellahin & Kellahin, and applies to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for approval of a 120-acre nonstandard gas proration unit and unorthodox well location for its Elliott "A" State Well No. 1, Section 27, T20S, R36E, Lea County New Mexico and in support thereof would show:

1. Applicant has drilled its Elliott "A" State Well No. 1 at a location 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line of Section 27, T20S, R36E, NMPM, as an oil well, but said well has been tested as having a GOR in excess of 100,000 to 1.

2. Applicant proposes to dedicate the following nonstandard proration unit for production from the Eumont Gas Pool:



4. That approval of the application will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and promote conservation.

WHEREFORE, applicant prays that the subject application be set for hearing before the Division Examiner and that after notice and hearing the application be granted as requested.

Respectfully submitted,

KELLAHIN & KELLA W. Thomas Kellahin P.O. Box 1769 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501 (505) 982-4285

ATTORNEYS FOR ZIA ENERGY INC.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO DRAFT ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT dr/ OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING: CASE NO. 7171 Order No. R-\_6610 ZIA ENERGY INC. APPLICATION OF GAS FOR A NON-STANDARD/PRORATION UNIT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. ORDER OF THE DIVISION BY THE DIVISION: This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 25 19 81, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter day of , 1981 , the Division NOW, on this Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises, FINDS: That the applicant's request for dismissed should be granted IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED: That Case no. 717 1 is hereby demissed DONE ab aforesaid well.