STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

CASE NO. 12464 ORDER NO. R-11450

APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE OPERATING, INC. FOR AN UNORTHODOX SUBSURFACE OIL WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This case came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on August 24, 2000, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this 12t day of September, 2000, the Division Director, having considered the record and the recommendations of the Examiner,

FINDS THAT:

(1) Due public notice has been given and the Division has jurisdiction of this case and its subject matter.

(2) The applicant, Chesapeake Operating, Inc. ("Chesapeake"), seeks an exception to Rule 4 of the "*Special Rules and Regulations for the Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool*," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-3816, as amended, and Division Rule 111.A (7), within a project area [see Division Rule 111.A (9)] comprising the S/2 NE/4 of Section 10, Township 16 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, being a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for the Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool, for its proposed Warehouse "10" Well No. 2 to be drilled from a surface location 1196 feet from the North line and 2463 feet from the East line (Unit B) of Section 10 to an unorthodox bottomhole oil well location that is within 100 feet of a point 1842 feet from the North line and 2213 feet from the East line (Unit G) of Section 10.

(3) Chesapeake originally filed this application with the Division on June 23, 2000, for administrative review pursuant to the provisions of: (i) Division Rule 104.F; (ii) Division Rule 111.C (2); and (iii) Rule 5 of the special Northeast Lovington-Pennsylvanian Pool rules.

(4) An objection filed by Manzano Oil Corporation ("Manzano") on July 12, 2000, caused this application to be set for hearing.

(5) On August 10, 2000, Manzano withdrew its objection. This case was then remanded to the Division's administrative process.

(6) By Administrative Order NSL-4500 (BHL), dated August 14, 2000, the Division approved the subject application, thereby making this case unnecessary.

(7) Furthermore, the applicant, prior to the hearing, requested this matter be dismissed.

(8) Dismissal of this case should therefore be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

Case No. 12464 is hereby dismissed.

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



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