BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE No. 2237 Order No. R-1944

APPLICATION OF SOCONY MOBIL OIL COMPANY, INC. FOR A 40-ACRE NON-STANDARD PRORATION UNIT AND AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on April 5, 1961, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this <u>28th</u> day of April, 1961, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Daniel S. Nutter, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Socony Mobil Oil Company, Inc., is the owner and operator of the E. O. Carson Well No. 23, located 1980 feet from the North line and 2640 feet from the East line of Section 33, Township 21 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That by Order No. R-183 the above-described location for said E. O. Carson Well No. 23 was approved for the purpose of disposing of salt water through said well into the San Andres formation.

(4) That said well is presently capable of producing oil from the San Andres formation.

(5) That the applicant seeks permission to produce said well as an oil well in an undesignated San Andres Pool in the above-described unorthodox location.

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(6) That the applicant further seeks the establishment of a non-standard 40-acre oil proration unit to be dedicated to said well, consisting of the E/2 SE/4 NW/4 and the W/2 SW/4 NE/4 of said Section 33.

(7) That inasmuch as said well is presently completed and capable of production, the proposed unorthodox location and non-standard oil proration unit should be approved and established.

(8) That although the applicant contemplates no additional San Andres wells in the area of this well, if applicant should desire to drill such a well in either the SW/4 NE/4 or in the SE/4 NW/4 of said Section 33, then a directional survey should be made to establish the bottom-hole location of the subject well.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Socony Mobil Oil Company, Inc., is hereby granted approval of an unorthodox oil well location for its E. O. Carson Well No. 23 in an undesignated San Andres Pool at a point 1980 feet from the North line and 2640 feet from the East line of Section 33, Township 21 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(2) That a 40-acre non-standard oil proration unit comprising the E/2 SE/4 NW/4 and the W/2 SW/4 NE/4 of said Section 33 is hereby established, which unit is to be dedicated to said E. O. Carson Well No. 23.

(3) That in the event the applicant should desire to drill a San Andres well in either the SW/4 NE/4 or in the SE/4 NW/4 of said Section 33, a directional survey shall be made to establish the bottom-hole location of the subject well.

(4) That Order No. R-183 is hereby superseded.

(5) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

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