Entered January 3, 1962

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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

> CASE No. 2430 Order No. R-2125

APPLICATION OF ROYAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY FOR SEVEN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATIONS, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on November 8, 1961, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Utz, 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>17th</u> day of November, 1961, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, 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, Royal Development Company, seeks approval of seven unorthodox oil well locations in the Shiprock-Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, for the followingdescribed wells in Section 17, Township 29 North, Range 18 West:

- Well No. 17-I-A, to be located 2475 feet from the South line and 10 feet from the East line;
- Well No. 17-I-A-1, to be located 2475 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line;
- Well No. 17-I-B, to be located 2475 feet from the South line and 1310 feet from the East line;
- Well No. 17-I-D, to be located 1650 feet from the South line and 10 feet from the East line;
- Well No. 17-I-E, to be located 1650 feet from the South line and 1310 feet from the East line;

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- Well No. 17-J-C, to be located 2475 feet from the South line and 2630 feet from the East line; and
- Well No. 17-J-C-1, to be located 2475 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line.

(3) That the proposed unorthodox well locations are necessitated by the applicant's desire to accomplish a better drainage pattern.

(4) That the proposed unorthodox well locations will not crowd acreage belonging to any other operator.

(5) That approval of the subject application will neither cause waste nor impair correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Royal Development Company, is hereby authorized seven unorthodox oil well locations in the Shiprock-Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, for the followingdescribed wells in Section 17, Township 29 North, Range 18 West:

- Well No. 17-I-A, to be located 2475 feet from the South line and 10 feet from the East line;
- Well No. 17-I-A-1, to be located 2475 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line;
- Well No. 17-I-B, to be located 2475 feet from the South line and 1310 feet from the East line;
- Well No. 17-I-D, to be located 1650 feet from the South line and 10 feet from the East line;
- Well No. 17-I-E, to be located 1650 feet from the South line and 1310 feet from the East line;
- Well No. 17-J-C, to be located 2475 feet from the South line and 2630 feet from the East line; and
- Well No. 17-J-C-1, to be located 2475 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line.

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

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

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman

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E. S. WALKER, Member

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

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