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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. 2623 Order No. R-2317

APPLICATION OF W. K. BYROM FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on August 29, 1962, 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 September, 1962, 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, W. K. Byrom, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Queen formation, Arkansas Junction-Queen Gas Pool, underlying the NE/4 of Section 23, Township 18 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That the applicant, W. K. Byrom, is the owner and operator of all acreage in the NE/4 of said Section 23.

(4) That although the applicant has been diligent in his efforts to form the proposed proration unit, there remain nonconsenting royalty interest owners in the subject proration unit who have not agreed to the pooling of their interests.

(5) That a well on a 160-acre standard gas proration unit will efficiently and economically drain the gas underlying the NE/4 of said Section 23.

(6) That formation of a 160-acre standard gas proration unit will be in the interest of orderly development of the Arkansas Junction-Queen Gas Pool, and will not cause waste or impair correlative rights. -2-CASE No. 2623 Order No. R-2317

That to avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, to (7) protect correlative rights, and to afford to the owner of each interest in said proration unit the opportunity to recover or receive without unnecessary expense his just and fair share of the gas in the Arkansas Junction-Queen Gas Pool, the subject application should be approved by pooling all mineral interests, whatever they may be, within said unit, subject to approval by the Commissioner of Public Lands for the State of New Mexico.

That the applicant proposes to dedicate the subject (8)proration unit to his W. K. Byrom State 23 Well No. 1, located in the NE/4 NE/4 of said Section 23.

(9) That W. K. Byrom should be designated the operator of said unit.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That all mineral interests, whatever they may be, in the Queen formation, Arkansas Junction-Queen Gas Pool, in the NE/4 of Section 23, Township 18 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, are hereby pooled to form a standard 160acre gas unit, effective upon approval of communitization by the Commissioner of Public Lands for the State of New Mexico. Said unit shall be dedicated to the W. K. Byrom State 23 Well No. 1, located in the NE/4 NE/4 of said Section 23.

That W. K. Byrom is hereby designated the operator of (2) said unit.

(3) 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

EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman

E. S. WALKER, Member

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L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

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