

*Entered November 9, 1966*  
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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. 3488  
Order No. R-3144

APPLICATION OF AMERADA PETROLEUM  
CORPORATION FOR A WATERFLOOD EXPAN-  
SION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on November 2, 1966, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this 9th day of November, 1966, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, 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, Amerada Petroleum Corporation, seeks permission to expand its Saunders SB Waterflood Project in the Saunders Permo-Pennsylvanian Pool by the injection of water into the Permo-Pennsylvanian zone through its Texaco-State "AQ" Well No. 2, located in Unit E of Section 3, Township 15 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That the wells in the proposed expanded project area are in an advanced state of depletion and should properly be classified as "stripper" wells.

(4) That the proposed expansion of the Saunders SB Waterflood Project should result in the recovery of otherwise unrecoverable oil, thereby preventing waste.

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(5) That the subject application should be approved and the expanded project should be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Amerada Petroleum Corporation, is hereby authorized to expand its Saunders SB Waterflood Project in the Saunders-Permo Pennsylvanian Pool by the injection of water into the Permo-Pennsylvanian zone through its Texaco-State "AQ" Well No. 2, located in Unit E of Section 3, Township 15 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(2) That the expanded waterflood project shall be governed by the provisions of Rules 701, 702, and 703 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

(3) That monthly progress reports of the expanded waterflood project herein authorized shall be submitted to the Commission in accordance with Rules 704 and 1120 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

(4) 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

  
JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman

  
GUXTON B. HAYS, Member

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

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