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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. 3510 Order No. R-3172

APPLICATION OF UNITED STATES SMELTING REFINING AND MINING COMPANY FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

## BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on January 4, 1967, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this <u>9th</u> day of January, 1967, 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, United States Smelting Refining and Mining Company, seeks approval of an unorthodox location for its Federal Well No. 2, located 760 feet from the South line and 2080 feet from the West line of Section 11, Township 20 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That the subject well was drilled at the above-described non-standard location inadvertently.

(4) That approval of the subject application will prevent waste and will not violate correlative rights.



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#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That an unorthodox location is hereby approved for the United States Smelting Refining and Mining Company Federal Well No. 2, located 760 feet from the South line and 2080 feet from the West line of Section 11, Township 20 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

(2) 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 DAVID F. CARGO, Cha rman  $\overline{}$ Member & Secretary Jr.,

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